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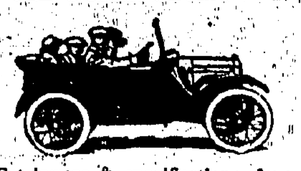

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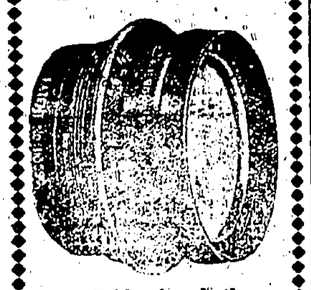

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Increased Rents Foreshadowed in Report?

A continuation of the Rents Ordinance for at least a year, but with an increase of rents for "controlled" houses is foreshadowed.

Several constructions have been placed on the words which fell from His Excellency the Governor's lips at Thursday's meeting of the Legislative Council.

It remains to be seen whether they are correct. That they have ample ground for their claims is evident from the fact that the members of the Council, the Unofficials at any rate, must have made up their minds to a certain extent as the result of information already gathered.

A gentleman whose opinion was sought before official announcements were made on the last two occasions that the Rents Ordinance was extended for a year and whose predictions turned out to be quite correct, was approached by a "China Mail" man yesterday.

His view is that the resolution before the Council was no more than what it was given to be—a basis for discussion. He did not think that the Ordinance would be renewed for six months, but that control would be in force for another year with the authorities keeping an open mind as to the policy after July 1, 1926. But—and he emphasised the "but"—he thought that the landlords would be given the option of raising the present rentals. Asked as to what he had heard the increase would be, he replied that it might be 10 per cent., 12½, or even as high as 20. There might not, he hinted, be a flat rate for the whole Colony, but different rates for different parts of the town and for different classes of tenements.

Of all the experts approached none would give a definite forecast regarding the so-called "subletting evil." As one gentleman put it, a tremendous amount of work would be entailed in going into the merits of each subtenancy. If investigation were to be made it might be years before they finished when there would be no more need of rent control then. The only alternative was tantamount to securing the greatest good for the greatest number, and that was to prolong rent control. Any tribunal, no matter how constituted, would have its hands full with applications either from landlords, principal tenants, or sub-tenants. Since a Fair Rents Board was not appointed in the first instance, it would be to late to start now.

No matter what form the hoped-for protection might take, all those aproached had no doubt that the Ordinance would be extended, and that restriction of some sort would continue. It should be noted that they were not expressing their own opinions, but they were predicting what was going to happen. One of them qualified his remarks by saying that he construed the form of the resolution as "the Ordinance in its present form for

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PAKKAI'S TROUBLES.

BANDITS, PIRATES, AND MILITARY.

GUNBOAT BACK AGAIN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

PAKKAI, KONGMOON, Feb. 27.

Five bandits, alleged to have taken part in the raid on this port China New Year Eve, have been arrested.

Owing up to up-river shipping having to pay tolls to pirates for "safe conduct" in various parts of the delta, the necessity of securing extra paid protection, and the expense of convoys, freights have increased five and six times.

Heavily armed with guns of all calibres and makes, the gunboat Kwong Ching is here again. It is not known whether the visit is in connection with a much boosted campaign against pirates or as a result of political developments.

Disorders in this part of the country are not confined to piratical attacks. An inter-military dispute over gambling revenue led to a street fracas resulting in three pedestrians being wounded, one fatally. It is alleged that some troops belonging to 3rd division under Commander Cheng Yun-ki raided a lottery house and attempted to take the manager into custody. They were resisted by guards from the 1st. division who, ostensibly, are paid to keep order. A fight ensued, with bullets flying in all directions in the street and the casualties as stated.

TYPHOON WARNINGS.

IMPORTANT PROVISIONS FOR SOUTH CHINA.

WIRELESS ON PRATAS SHOAL.

Installations at Other Centres Foreshadowed.

The putting in hand of work on the Pratas Shoal marks the entrance on a very important stage in the history of typhoon warning provisions for South China. Will the next step forward be wireless installations at Chilang Point and Swatow, the Paracels and Hoihow and Yu Lin Kam (Hoihow)?

Mr. T. F. Claxton, Director, Royal Observatory, told a "China Mail" reporter yesterday afternoon that regular meteorological observations four times a day in normal weather, and at more frequent intervals during the passage of a typhoon, would strengthen his hands considerably in the matter of typhoon warnings owing to a very large proportion of the typhoons materially affecting Hongkong passing near the Pratas Shoal.

He emphasised that not all of them, however, took this course, as a few approached Hongkong from the South and others from the South-West. To deal adequately with the first mentioned, wireless installations were required at Chilang Point and Swatow and, with the latter, installations at Hoihow and Yu Lin Kam (Hainan). For monsoon predictions, stations were required at Wuchow and Kweilin.

It was as well that one thing should be done, and done well, than that too much should be undertaken at once, said Mr. Claxton, but it was to be hoped that when the much talked of wireless station on the Pratas was a fait accompli, and the benefits derived fully realised, steps would be taken to secure installations at the additional stations mentioned.

The development of the stati[illegible], presented many difficulties, said Mr. Claxton, not the least being the lack of water, food, and shade. There was also the question to be faced of possible damage by typhoon. To maintain efficient service continually in all weathers would require [illegible]anisation of a high order.

Upon enquiry official quarters the "China Mail" was informed that these difficulties were fully realised and steps had been taken to meet them.

SHALL WE SEE THIS AT HAPPY VALLEY AGAIN TO-DAY?

The joys of a Hongkong race meeting as the "China Mail's" special artist saw them last week.

NEW PRIZES ADDED TO LIST.

To-day we add a new prize to the list in the "China Mail" and "Sunday Herald" Campaign in one case of Kitchener's Dry Gin, which has been purchased from and is on display at H. Rutonjee and Sons, 16 Queen's Road, Central. It is the desire of the "China Mail" and "Sunday Herald" to make this the best Campaign ever, and with that in view new prizes are added from time to time.

SOME QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

For several days past candidates have reported to the Campaign Department that occasionally people whom they called on for subscriptions had belittled the Campaign saying that the prizes would not be given; that it was fixed for someone to win," or that it was all a fake. In fact, almost every kind of a wild and vicious story has been told under the guise of friendship and with a warning "You know you can't win anything, but don't tell anyone I told you." Every city has its false tale bearers and trouble vultures. Hongkong has them just the same as any other city. As a general rule when you hear anyone utter wild talk, you will nearly always find that they have a point to gain. Always look for the point.

Candidates, when you ask some man for a subscription and he starts a vicious attack on the Campaign trying to discourage you, remember that he is either not man enough to say "no" and is resorting to this method to try to discourage you so that you will not ask for his subscription, or it may be that he has some friend in the race whom he wants to see a winner, and he uses this method to get you out of the race, thinking that it will be just so much easier for his friend to win if you were out of the way.

Don't be bluffed. Don't let someone with wild tales, which you know are not true, bluff you out of the race and take from you, for some friend, the prize that is rightfully yours. Look for the point. Of course, some people "knock," just for the pleasure of "knocking," whether they know they will gain anything or not, while others "knock" because they do not like the opinions of the paper. But, if you dig deep enough you will always find the reason for knocking.

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RISE IN "ROPES."

THE EFFECT OF THIS WEEK'S BONUS.

As reported in the "China Mail" earlier in the week, the additional payment of a bonus to shareholders (foreshadowed before the official announcement at the annual meeting) has brought about a rise in the quotations for Hongkong "Ropes."

Before the meeting business was done at $57 for cash. Yesterday it was reported that as much as $57½, ex dividend cum bonus, was offered for "combined" shares for cash, but that few were forthcoming in response.

This morning the market remained steady.

SHIPPING DIRECTOR DEAD.

MR. NG MING-CHUNG.

News has been received of the death of Mr. Ng Ming-chung on Thursday morning after a protracted illness.

He was a prominent member in local shipping circles and was a director of the Canton Navigation Company which operates the Paul Beau and Charles Hardouin.

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CHINESE EMPTY FLATS.

Yesterday the "Far Eastern News Agency" completed its investigations as to the number of vacant flats on the peninsula. As published in the vernacular papers, the totals are:—

Tsimshatsui 23; Yaumati 526; Mongkok 811; Shamshuipo 262; Kowloon City 135; Hunghom.

The total, therefore, of empty flats (completed houses) is 1,822, as against the total of 7,000 said to have emanated from landlords.

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WOOD PULP.

INTERESTING FIGURES FROM SWEDEN.

The wood pulp and timber industries of Sweden are of importance to that country, and it is interesting to gather from the Swedish Economic Review that while in the autumn of 1924 the exports of timber fell off, the export of pulp and paper remained relatively good. By October, it seems, the whole of the calculated year's production had been sold, and since then the sales have been made for delivery in 1925.

By the middle of December the total sales for delivery amounted to 250,000 tons of sulphite and sulphate pulp. Even the mechanical pulp mills will have sold practically their whole production for the year, the sales being made chiefly to England and France. We may judge of the position at date by comparison with the actual exports for the period January-October during three important years.

For 1913 the figure was 775,184 tons, for 1922 798,975 tons, and for 1924, the exports reached 1,064,105 tons. The significant fact is that the United States now takes second place among the buyers of Swedish pulp. Great Britain comes next, while Germany has practically disappeared as a buyer.

The steady increase in the American consumption is due to the home supplies not keeping up with the expanding requirements.

NEEDS OF INDUSTRY.

MINISTER AND CO-OPERATION.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, M.P., President of the Board of Trade, speaking as a guest of the British Wool Federation, at their annual banquet at Bradford, said it was absolutely vital, as he saw it, if the Board of Trade was to do the work that it ought to do, that it should have the co-operation of the country, and have at its disposal the knowledge and the experience which alone it could get from co-operation with those trades. He looked forward to a very close association with all societies representing the great industries and trade of the country. That was vital if one was to know from time to time any change in circumstances there was in the state of affairs and what were the propects of trade.

"We want that co-operation," said Sir Philip, "in framing commercial policy and making commercial treaties." The Government (he continued) wanted that assistance in order to know of a critical situation beforehand as it was likely to affect any legislation or industry that might be introduced. He appealed to them to work wholeheartedly with the Government, to co-operate with it from time to time, but not to lean upon it too much. It was not the best bosom to lean upon, but it was the duty of the Government to help all it could and give the best help if the industry was to help itself. He wanted to get from industry more information than he possessed to-day about production, accurate knowledge about production, and what was of real value to the Government in framing policy.

SOUTH AMERICA.

OPENINGS FOR BRITISH TRADE.

Sir Maurice de Bunsen presided at the ninth trade dinner, organised by the Old Colony Club, at Aldwych House, London, when the subject of discussion was the development of British trade in South America.

Mr. A. C. Rouse said there was one thing that amazed him, and that was that some of the biggest firms in this country trading with South America possessed the most elementary knowledge of that vast territory. Partly from its own fault and partly from the difficulty of getting people to settle in this sub-continent, South America had lost for the time at present its position of pre-eminence in the production of rubber and cocoa. South America required immigrants, and without them it would do little. Since the war there had been a great tendency on the part of Germans to migrate to South America. It had been suggested that it was a desirable country to which the British might emigrate. If for no other reason than the language difficulty, he most emphatically deprecated any such idea. In regard to the present situation of our trade, he thought Great Britain had re-established itself in practically all the South American markets as the principal exporting country. In regard to the future, he insisted that we should devote more time to studying these countries.

WOOL TRADE.

PRICES DEARER THAN A YEAR AGO.

Mr. Bertram Parkinson, of Bradford, who was elected president of the British Wool Federation, said our wool textile industry was struggling through a difficult period, and the year did not open very brightly for the trade. Prices were from 20 to 70 per cent. dearer than a year ago. There could be no true prosperity with raw material at such levels and exchanges and tariffs everywhere against us. No one conversant with the working of the textile trade would suggest that prices had been forced to the present high level by Bradford. The real point was that the demand for wool for some time past had been in excess of supply, and that would continue until the supply overtook the demand, or until prices reached such a level that substitutes would be increasingly used.

Our Continental and Japanese competitors, having the advantage of favourable exchanges, lower taxation, and low conversion costs, could afford to pay better prices for their wool than we could, and could undersell us both in our Home and foreign markets with the finished products. The brunt fell on the manufacturers and merchants.

BANKING.

COUTTS AND CO.'S BALANCE SHEET.

Messrs. Coutts and Co., who have been affiliated with the National Provincial Bank since 1920, have published their half-yearly balance-sheet as at the end of 1924. Compared with the position at June 30, 1924, the aggregate figures show an increase of £271,276, the most important individual movement being an increase of £577,330 in advances, which, however, are still below the total of a year ago. Deposits show an increase on the past six months of £285,277, while cash in hand, &c., and money at call and short notice are lower by £315,200 and £81,450 respectively. The item of bills discounted, which includes Treasury bills, only exhibits a trifling increase in comparison with June, 1924, but is considerably larger on the year. A further decline has occurred in acceptances, &c., which are now only £20,555, against £62,997 at the close of 1923.

NEW COMPANIES.

BRITISH LIST FOR LAST YEAR.

In the statistical report of company registrations at Somerset House during last year, issued by Jordan and Sons Ltd., company registration agents, Chancery Lane, the following passage occurs:

Companies registered, in 1924 (both public and private) number 7,964, which is slightly under the 1923 figure (8,005); but the aggregate nominal capital shows an increase of about £1,500,000 public companies (£43,096,257) being up by about £4,000,000 and private companies down by about £2,500,000 (£65,421,115). The number of registrations would have exceeded that for 1923, and the increase in capital would have been larger, but for a recent alteration in the practice of the Registrar of incorporation. In consequence thereof a number of companies which, but for the change in practice would have been included in last year's figures, come into the totals, for this year. On the whole, therefore, the year shows a distinct though not a striking advance.

DYES AND SUBSIDIES.

JAPANESE GRANT TO BE REDUCED.

The grant in aid to the Nippon Dye-stuff Manufacturing Company expires next October. The amount paid assures the company an 8-per cent. dividend per annum, and the Government has been approached with a request for the renewal of the grant at least for one more year. In this connection the "Osaka Mainichi" (Japanese Edition) understands that the Department of Agriculture and Commerce has decided to withdraw the help, but proposes to offer a grant in a different shape, with the object of facilitating the development of the industry or aiding experiments, the amount to be between Y.500,000 and Y.1,000,000 a year. An understanding is sought on the matter with Finance Office.

With aid on that scale, it will be next to impossible for the company, capitalised at Y.8,000,000 to continue operations on the present scale, and in the opinion of the Osaka paper, there is no other way left for the management of the company but to reduce its capital or to concentrate its energies on the manufacture of colours that pay.

FISH SUPPLY.

BRITISH-CANADIAN SCHEME.

Major Hugh Green, representing the fishing industry of Great Britain, has told the Fisheries Committee of the Halifax Trade Board that the interests he represents are willing to spend three million dollars in the development of Nova Scotia fisheries, on condition that the Canadian Government provides shipping facilities and reasonable ocean rates on the Government merchant marine.

Major Green pointed out that there had been a slump in British fisheries in the past three years through the change in the Gulf Stream. His reason for speaking at Halifax was to acquaint fishermen with the proposal before meeting the Federal Government in Ottawa.

The scheme outlined is to establish a fishing centre with three or four hundred vessels fishing from this port and a steamer sailing daily for Britain with 3,000 tons of fresh fish, while storage plants on this side are proposed for the lower grade fish handled for the cheaper trade in Great Britain. Major Green mentioned that France and Italy were also in the market for Nova Scotia fish, and intimated that he was also empowered to encourage fruits and meat shipment from Canada to Europe.

The capital, says Major Green, "is ready for investment providing the Government accedes to his requests, adding, "Everything rests with the Federal Government."

Marshal Chang Tso-lin is said to be recruiting a large number of boys for his army and hopes to make two army divisions of them. Those who have visited the Shanghai North Station during the past few weeks have certainly remarked upon seeing younger soldiers than the average boy or drummer in British regiments.

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do. C £13-1/2 b.		b. "C" 13½
Marine Insurances		
Canton Insurance...	755 n.	s. 755
North China Insurance ...	$ 140 n.	n. 140
Union Insurance	$257 b. 258 sa	b. 255½
Insurance Yangtsze	$ 41½ b.	b. 41
China Underwriters	3.05 b.	s. & sa 3.10
Far Easterns	—	—
Fire Insurances		
China Fire Insurance	$ 195 b.	b. 195
Hongkong Fire Insurance...	$ 710 n.	n. 715
Shipping		
Douglases	$ 58 b.	n. 59
H.K. Steamboats	$ 36½ b 37 s 36.6½ sa	b. 34-1/2
Hongkong Tugs and Lighter	$4.80 n.	b. 4.80
Indo-Chinas (Prof.	$ 38 n.	n. 38
do. (Def.)	$ 120 n.	—
do. (H.K. Reg.) ...	120 n.	n. 120
Shell Transports	93/6 b.	n. 03/-
Star Ferries	181 n.	b 18 s 81 sa 79
Water-boats	$ 17-1/4 n.	n. 19 10
Oriental Nav. Co.	$255 n.	n. 255
Refineries		
China Sugar	$71 s.	sa 71
Malabon Sugar	$ 40 b.	n. 41
Mining		
Kailan Mining Adm.	52/6 b	n. 57.6
Langkats	C. mb. $22 n.	n. 23
Shanghai Loans ...	$7 n.	s n.
S'hai Explorations...	$5.10 n.	n. 5-1/2
Single Langkats ...	$9½ b. 10 s.	n. 9½
Raubs	$ 3.30 n	b. 3-1/4
Tronoh Mines	56/- n.	b. 57/-
Ural Caspi.	8/- n.	
Benguet Con	P. 2.80 s.	
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.		
H. & K. Wharfs	$ 204½ b	s. 204½
H. & W. Dock...	$ 140 b.	b. 139
S'hai Docks	T116 b.	b. 114-1/2
New Engineerings...	$8 80 b.	b. 7½
H. K. Engineerings.	—	
Shanghai Hongkews	$206-1/2 b.	
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		
H.K. & S'hai Hotels $ 17½ b.	New 17½ n.	(b 17½ New—b 17
H.K. Developments	70 cts. b. 80 s.	b. & sa 70 Cents
Hongkong Lands	$ 96-1/2 n.	b 97 sa 97/98
Humphreys Estates	$ 20 s.19½ sa	b & sa 19
Kowloon Lands	$ —	
Land Reclamations	—	—
Princes Building	$150 n.	n. 150
H.K. Realty	$ 2.30 b. 2.40 sa	n. 2½
H.K. Territorials...	$3 b.	b. 2½
Rural Lands...	$10 n.	
Cotton Mills.		
Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd. ...	$12 b. 13½ sa	s. 13-1/2
Kung Yiks	—	
Laou Kung Mows...	—	
Orientals...	T. 3 b.	b 3-1/2 s 3.90
Shanghai Cotton	T 60-1/2 n. New $32 n.	n. 60 New 32 n.
Yangtsepoos...	—	
Miscellaneous.		
Cements	$19-3/4 n. New 8.10 b.	(b. 19-1/2 New b. 8.10
Cements "Combined" $28½ sa.		(Comb. b. 27.80
China-Borneos	—	
China Lights (Old)	$19½ b.	n. 19
do (New) $13½ b. Comb. 27.20 b.		(New n. 12½ Comb. sa 28.90"
China Providents $16½ s. New 9.20 s.		(b. 16 New b 8½ s 9½ sa 9
Providents Combined ...	$40 s.	Comb. b. 38½
Dairy Farms...	$26 b. 26½ sa	b. 25
H.K. Electrics	$ 52½ b. & sa	b 50 sa 50
Macao do	$ 42 n.	—
Hongkong and Canton Ices	—	n. 8½
Hongkong Rope... ... 18½ n.	New 10-1/4 n.	n 17 New 11 n
Hopes Combined...	$55 n. x.d.	b 52
Hongkong Tramways... ...	$57 b.	sa 57
Peak Tramways (Old)... ...	$ 23 n.	s. 22
Do. (New) ...	$ 9 s.	n. 8
Steam Laundries	$ —	—
H.K. Steel Foundry	$ —	—
Watson's	$ 21 n. New 14 n.	(s 21 New n 14
Wm. Powells	$ 15 s.	—
Lane Crawfords	$19 b.	b. 19
Canton Ices	$ 6½ b	—
H.K. Construction	$8 s.	n. 8½
Nanyang Tobacco	—	n. 10½
Sinceres	$ 12-1/2 n.	n 13½
Mackintosh	$ 21 b.	
H.K. Taxis	$ 2½ s.	n 3½
China Buses	$12½ b	
Singapore Trams	$ 2 s	b. 1½
Der A. Wing fully paid ...	$ 10 n.	n. 10
part Do paid	$ 5 n.	n. 5
United Asbestos (Founders)		n. 60
do. (Ordinary)	$ 20 n.	n. 18

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HONGKONG HOTEL.

February 26.

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February 26.

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Reserve Fund	1,250,000

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J. B. ROSS,
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7 Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, January 22, 1925.

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Reserve Fund ...	G. 20,045,032	£ 1,670,419
Special Reserves...	G. 23,660,000	£ 1,888,333

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M. FITZ-HENRY,
Manager.

10th November, 1924.

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Capital Subscribed ....Yen 60,000,000
Capital (Paid-up) .....Yen 52,500,000
Reserve Fund .....Yen 12,980,000

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Z. YAMAMOTO,
Manager.

HONGKONG BRANCH,
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Hongkong, 5th June, 1924.

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This Notice is not to be regarded as an invitation to the public to subscribe for shares and applications will only be received on the footing of the full prospectus and on the form issued therewith.

Dated Hongkong, 20th February, 1925.

A. BENEMERITO,
Secretary.
7th floor, China Building.
Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong.

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INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE FINAL DIVIDEND declared for the year ending 31st December, 1924, at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling is payable on and after the 23rd. February, 1925, at the Offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors.
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1925.

HONGKONG REALTY & TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED.

Reminder of Notice of Call.

Issue of 170,000 Shares of the nominal value of $10 each.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Call of $2.50 (Dollars two, cents fifty) per share has been made on each of the One hundred and seventy thousand $2.50 paid up shares of this Company, and that such Call will be payable to the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong, on Monday, the second day of March, 1925.

For the
HONGKONG REALTY AND TRUST COMPANY, LTD.
F. C. BARRY,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th February, 1925.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Buildings, Chater Road, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 3rd March, 1925, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Account and Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1924, and declaring a dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY the 18th February, 1925 until TUESDAY the 3rd March, 1925, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1925.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirty-Sixth Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. and O. Building, on SATURDAY, March 14, 1925, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to December 31, 1924, and electing Directors and Auditor.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from March 3 to March 14, 1925, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.
Agents.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1925.

NOTICE

ST. DAVID'S SOCIETY DINNER.

THE above will be held in the ROOF GARDEN of the Hongkong Hotel on SATURDAY, February 28, at 8 p.m.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1925.

NOTICE.

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7 a.m. to 10 a.m.
From the East side of Coronation Road and including Ho Mun Tin.
South of Gascoigne and Austin Roads.
7 a.m. to 10 a.m. and
3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

HAROLD T. CREASY,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department,
Hongkong, 24th February, 1925.

G. R.

ROYAL SANITARY INSTITUTE

AN EXAMINATION for the "Inspector of Nuisances" Certificate will be held at the Education Office on TUESDAY, 17th March and THURSDAY, 19th March.

Entry Forms may be obtained on application to

THE SECRETARY,
Board of Examiners,
Royal Sanitary Institute,
Education Office.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1925.

HONGKONG ANGLING CLUB.

THE FIRST ANNUAL MEETING will be held in the Board Room of Messrs, Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, 2nd March, 1925, at 5.30 p.m.

E. B. C. HORNELL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st February, 1925.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS AND VEGETABLES will be held at VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on THURSDAY, 5th MARCH, 1925.

ENTRIES will DEFINITELY CLOSE at 1 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, 25th FEBRUARY, 1925, at the Hon: Secretary's office, but Intending Exhibitors are requested to SEND IN THEIR ENTRIES AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

Schedules have been sent to patrons, Life members and all members who have paid their subscription for the current year.

MEMBERS who have not yet paid their subscription and ALL THOSE who wish to join the SOCIETY are kindly requested to send $5 immediately to the Hon: Secretary, Mr. E.B.C. HORNELL c/o Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1925.

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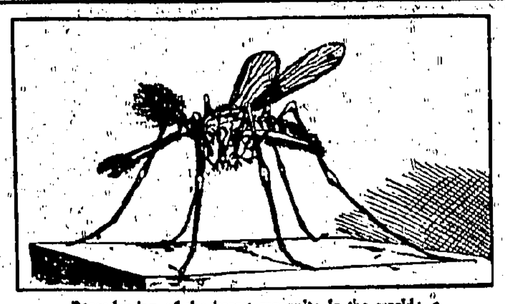

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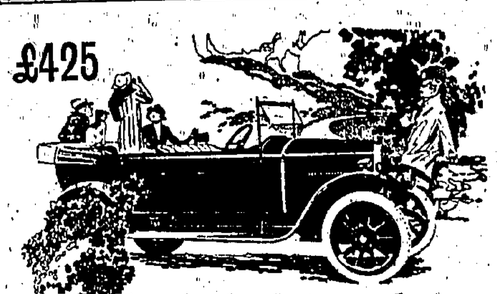

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The presentation of prizes won during the past year by the pupils of the Diocesan Girls' School was made yesterday afternoon by Lady Stuart Taylor in the presence of a large gathering.

The Bishop of Hongkong (the Right Rev. C. R. Duppuy) presided, and there were also present the Revs. Lindsay, Arrowsmith and Johnstone.

In asking Miss Sawyer to read the annual report, the Bishop referred to the great debt the Diocese owed to her for the splendid way in which she had carried on the work since the departure of Miss Ferguson.

Report.

The report was as follows:—

This is I think the 25th annual report of the school.

During the year 1924, the numbers on the roll varied from month to month, but in October we reached the grand total of 236, a larger number, I believe, than the school has ever before registered. This month we have on the roll 243 names, of whom 51 are boarders. The past year has been one of many changes, much difficulty and great pleasure. Miss Ferguson was unable to do her accustomed work owing to her ill-health, and went on sick leave in July. Every report we have received from her has been favourable, and I know she is looking forward to her return. Mrs. Hoy joined the staff in January, and in February Mrs. Kennedy left us and Miss Wentworth went on a well-earned and much-needed furlough. We were glad to welcome her back in October. Mrs. Stevens has gone home and we had Miss Dunnett for a few months and in May we welcomed Miss Bedford from England. We were sorry to hear of Mrs. Jeffries' illness in August, and we congratulate her heartily on her recovery. One of our old girls, Miss Mason, came to help with Mrs. Jeffries' work, and is still with us. Mrs. Kirkby and Mrs. Hooper joined us after the long vacation. In spite of these numerous changes on the staff, I feel the work of the school has been good throughout the year, and when the Inspector paid us his annual visit in October, he expressed great satisfaction at all he saw, and I do not think there was much that missed his notice. Fifty per cent of Class 1 passed the Senior Local and eighty-two per cent of Class 2 passed the Junior examination.

Progress in Sports.

Progress in games has been very marked this year. Hockey suffers from want of our own ground, but in spite of this, there has been great enthusiasm. We have played several matches, and have taken our defeats in the right spirit. We are very grateful to the Kowloon Football Club for the use of their ground.

Tennis has become much more popular and I am glad to say that this year, 6 classes competed for the Challenge Cup presented by Lady Ho Tung. Here I would like to express on behalf of the whole school our gratitude to Mr. Hall for his generous gift of a new tennis court. When we reassembled in September the old court was useless for tennis and Mr. Hall not only bore the entire expense of the new one, but supervised its making.

During the summer we were able to have some delightful bathing picnics owing to the generosity of parents and friends and also to Instructor Mr. Baldwin. The Girl Guide Troop continues to flourish. I have never yet called upon a Guide to do a piece of work for me without finding it done in the true Guide spirit. An account of their work may be seen every month in the Monthly Messenger.

School Magazine.

In April the first number of a school magazine was published, and was presented to Miss Ferguson on her return from Baguio. It was followed by a second number in October. Should there be any Old Girls present who would like to have a copy of either or both I will gladly let them have one.

Friends of the School.

In December the school held a small sale of work and entertainment in aid of school and charity funds, and I am proud to think that every class, from the babies' upwards did their share towards making it a success. The schoolgirls themselves voted as to how this money should be spent, and as the details are to be published in the next issue of the D. G. S Magazine I will here only mention the fact that 62 per cent. of the proceeds was given to outside charity funds. This, in itself, I think, shows the tone of the school. Before closing I would like to tender my sincere thanks to the numerous friends of the school. Amongst whom I would like to mention Lady Ho Tung for the Tennis Cups, for a donation towards Prizes, also for the Good Conduct Prize. The following who subscribed to the Bathing Fund: Mrs. Simmons, Mr. Leung Yan-po, Mr. Leung Kiho, Mr. J. Chug, Mr. Mok Hing-sum, Mrs Kotewall, Mr. Wong Kam-fuk, Mr. Lee Hy-san, Mrs. Choa, Mrs Walker, Mr. Chan Tong, Mrs A. W. Smith, for the Tennis Fund Mr. Hall, Mrs Lee Hing, Mrs. Lee Pak, Mr. Leung Yan-po, Mr. Ray, and for the Bazaar, Mr. Church, The Kowloon Dock, The China Light & Power Co., The Dairy Farm, many who gave cakes and fruit, Mr. Butcher, the parents who helped to make the bazaar a success. Thanks are also due to The Government Dispensary and the Standard Oil Company.

I would like to mention all those who have given so generously to the swimming fund and games fund, the bazaar fund, the prize fund, and to the upkeep of the school. Especially would I thank personally all the members of the committee and every member of the staff whose unfailing help and loyal support have made it possible for me to carry on the work entrusted to me, during Miss Ferguson's absence. I thank you for your kind attention.

Accounts.

Mr. B. E. Fielder, the Honorary Treasurer, gave an outline of the financial position, which was considered satisfactory.

Bishop's Remarks.

The Bishop, addressing the gathering, said that on his way from the ferry after an absence of ten months, he was much impressed by the manner in which new buildings had sprung up and Kowloon had progressed. In the same way he felt sure that the School was progressing with the building up of character.

After listening to the report, a debt of gratitude was due to Miss Ferguson for all she had done for the school. Mr. Arrowsmith, as Honorary Secretary, and Mr. Fielder, as Honorary Treasurer, also earned their gratitude for their useful work, of which the public knew very little.

The Bishop next referred to the school magazine and the school motto "Daily Giving Service." "I looked at your magazine with very great interest," he said, "and I thought what is the use of a school magazine?" It had many uses and displayed the talent which existed in the school.

He was especially interested in some of the suggestions of various scholars; and he hoped the time would arrive when their hopes would soon be realised.

As regards the motto of the school some people say that children attended for the purpose of studying their lessons but that was not their main object. The big object was how to face life. If the girls could carry into life their school motto they will have learnt the biggest lesson.

The speaker next referred to the great interest taken by Lady Stuart Taylor in the Girl Guide movement and in girl life generally in Hongkong. This was the first time she had attended a prize distribution of the school, and she was heartily welcome.

The prizes were distributed by Lady Stuart Taylor, the full list being as follows:—

Prize List.

Senior Local.—Edith Lam, Maria Prata, Hilda Sousa and Maud White.

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Scripture Prizes.—Class 1, Edith Lam; Class 2, Grace Ho Tung; Class 3, Thalia Prata; Class 4, Margaret Grose; Class 5, Molly Churn; Class 6, Grace Cheung; Class 7, Gertrude White; Upper Class 8, Phyllis Rathsam; Middle Class 8, Ina Carvalho and Lower Class 8, Zena Jex.

Class Prizes.—Class 1, Hilda Sousa; Class 2, Grace Ho Tung; Class 3, Eva Coysh; Class 4, Irene Gittens; Class 5, Molly Churn; Remove; Iris Lee and Kitty Kan; Class 6, Mabel Willis; Class 7, Rita Edwards; Class 8; Upper, Anna Brown; Middle, Nancy Banker and Lower, Gordon Lee.

Attendance Prizes.—Edith Lam, Maria Prata, Agnes Brown, Sadie Thorburn, Marjorie Waller, Bessie McAinsh, Rita Edwards and Pearl Killeen.

Music Prizes. Senior Theory, Molly Churn and Phyllis Anderson.

Junior Theory.—Jessie Wong and Alice Wood.

Progress in Music.—Marjorie Waller and Mary Haskett.

Lady Ho Tung's Prize (awarded on the votes of the staff and girls); Molly Churn.

Lugard Scholarship.—Eva Coysh.

Tennis.—Beatrice Choa and Grace Ho Tung.

In a short speech Lady Stuart Taylor said that she was glad to have been present and it gave her much pleasure to have given away the prizes. She felt that she was among friends as she had met the teachers and a number of friends. She complimented the Girl Guides on their smartness and would also like to say how glad she was to see the Bishop back in Hongkong. She liked to see him back but he had not returned alone (applause). Mrs. Duppuy should have been in her place and she (the speaker) did not know how Mrs. Duppuy escaped it. (Laughter).

The Rev. G. R. Lindsay offered a vote of thanks to Lady Stuart Taylor, which was received with acclamation.

The pupils then took the opportunity of entertaining the gathering with an operetta entitled "The Magic Key," in three acts, in which a number of gypsies, fairies and gnomes appeared. Those taking part acquitted themselves very creditably, and the entertainment was much appreciated.

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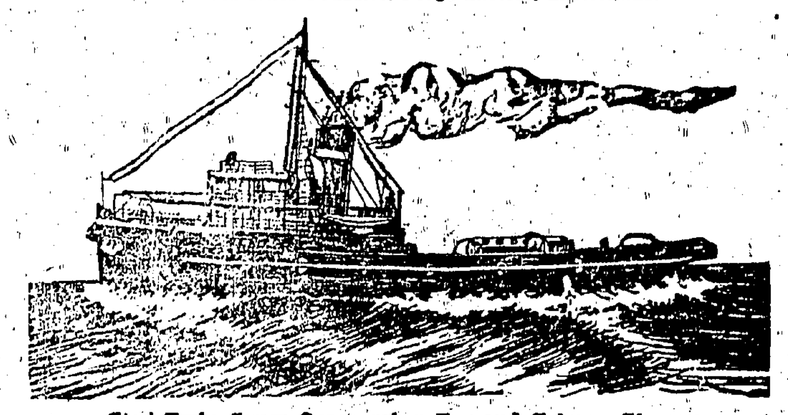

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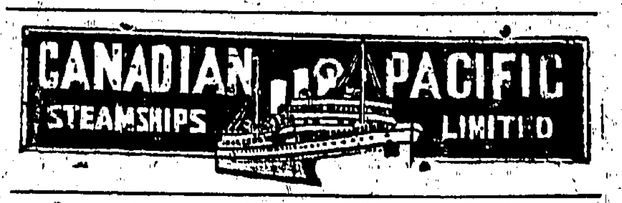

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PRODUCTION AT TAIKOO CLUB ON WEDNESDAY.

The Quarry Bay A.D.C. will present their third production in the Taikoo Club on Wednesday next.

This time they are producing the famous play, "NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH"—a comedy in three acts—by James Montgomery. The play is an adaptation from the novel of the same name by Fred. S. Isham, and was produced with great success at the Savoy Theatre, London in February, 1918.

The story of the play deals with the great problem—according to the present condition of society—is it essential to tell lies in order to succeed in life? Can one tell the absolute truth about everything and still retain one's friends and be a financial success? Is it necessary to lie to live? To resort to deception in successful business? If the absolute truth were always told, what would become of our politics, our advertisements, and our dinner parties?

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The cast of the play will include, besides old favourites, lots of fresh talent, and will be under the direction of Mr. W. Robertson. The incidental music will be rendered by the Ubique Amateur Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. D. S. Hill.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

AMBITIOUS PROGRAMME.

(By Courtesy of Daily Bulletin).

PEKING, February 26.

The following ambitious programme appears on the agenda of the Reorganisation Conference:—(1) Standardisation of military expenditure; (2) Peking budget; (3) provincial budgets; (4) questions connected with the forthcoming Customs increase to 12-1/2 per cent.; (5) abolition of likin and the imposition of production taxes; (6) consolidation of foreign and domestic loans; (7) separation of the national and provincial revenues; readjustment of the monetary system and remission to Peking of provincial revenues rightly belonging to the Government; (9) application of taxes already legalised but not yet imposed.

It is only fair to add that there is an expert memorandum in the hands of the Conference relating to each of the above subjects.

The Government contemplates appointing Tuan Chi-jui associate Director of the Sino-Russian negotiations, of which Dr. C. T. Wang is mentioned as Tupan.

At a Cabinet meeting held this morning, it was resolved to appoint Tsen Tsung-chien acting Foreign Vice-Minister.

Tsen Tsung-chien was a former chief of the Land Titles Office.

It was also resolved to appoint Shih Tsung-pin assistant Tupan of Shantung.

General Shih Tung-pin is at present Commandant of the Twenty-Seventh Shantung Brigade.

LOCAL CINEMA FEATURES.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"A BLIND BARGAIN."

There's a new screen thrill to be had from Goldwyn's melodramatic thriller, "A Blind Bargain," which was seen for the first time in Hongkong at the Queen's Theatre last night. The thrill is a mixture of horror and fascination, guaranteed to attack the most rigid of spines. A noted surgeon has reached the borderland of insanity through his researches and experiments to prove the truth of the theory of evolution. He has come to the conclusion that he can turn man back into his ancestral prototype through transplanting into his body the glands from a live monkey. He has wrecked the minds and bodies of several men upon whom he has experimented.

In "A Blind Bargain," a struggling author sells himself to the surgeon to be experimented upon in return for the aid which shall procure his dying mother's restoration to health. But he falls in love with the daughter of the publisher who has accepted his book, and he tries to buy his release from the doctor. In vain. He is seized and strapped to the operating table. But the doctor has not counted upon the superhuman strength developed in one of the wrecks of men in his private dungeon, and when he goes there to get a monkey, the man breaks the bars of his cell and crushes the surgeon to death. The author is freed by the doctor's wife and the monkey-like hunchback, also a victim of one of the doctor's experiments.

EX-RUSSIAN CONCESSION.

NEW REGULATIONS.

(By Courtesy of Daily Bulletin.)

HANKOW, February 26.

The new regulations governing the ex-Russian Concession, which have been sanctioned by Peking, become effective on Monday.

The control of the Concession is to rest in the hands of a Director appointed by the Civil Governor, assisted by a secretary, an assistant secretary, and an advisor.

The chief posts will be held by Chinese, and the assistant posts, including police, may be held by foreigners.

The regulations provide for election by residents of a Council comprising the Director as Chairman over three Chinese and three foreigners.

Provisions for the yearly accounts and budget must be sanctioned by the residents at an annual meeting.

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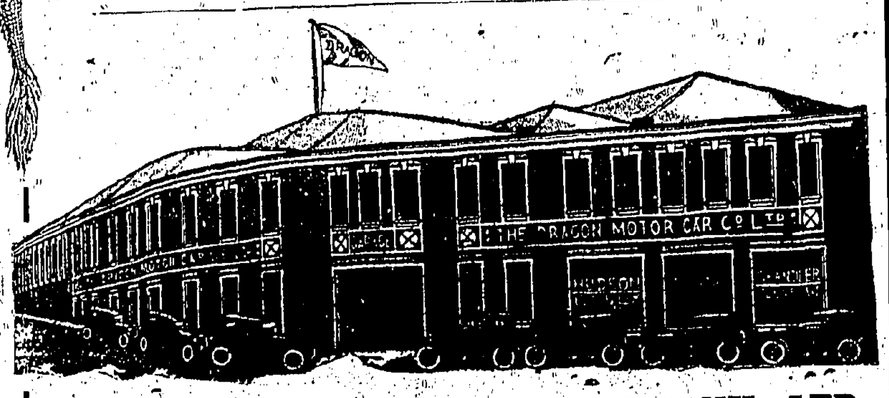

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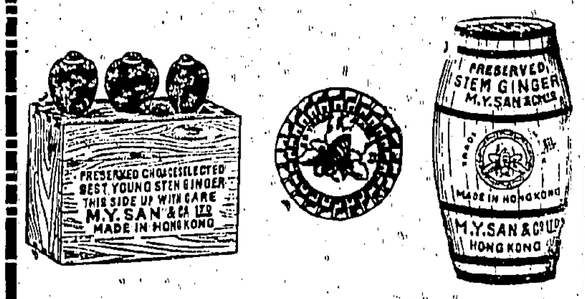

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JUVENILE "CASUALTIES."

Photo by Mee Fong.

Bringing in "the wounded." How the ambulance badge is won. Act. C.-M.: W. Gardner is in charge.

KEEPING FIT.

Photo by Mee Fong.

Better than physical jerks this! A pretty tableau by some of the P.T. enthusiasts. Act. S.-M.: A. Ferguson in charge.

HIDDEN TREASURE SEARCH—HONGKONG'S LATEST GAME.

Hidden treasure hunts are very popular in the Homeland. They have now come to Hongkong. This is how the first one struck our artist.

"ON THE TRACK OF THE SPIES."

Photo by Mee Fong.

The cast in the comedy drama which delighted a large audience at Taikoo Club. Mr. W. Robertson (in mufti) gave the lads a helping hand with the direction. The young lady is Miss B. McCubbin.

His Wife: "For Heaven's sake, Henry, stop grumbling about those parcels. If you were only as useful as that man you would be worth having as a husband!"—

The Humorist, London.

THE WORLD'S GREATEST ENIGMA.

—Brooklyn Citizen, U.S.A.

Trotsky: No! I don't think it will work!"

(In his recent book, M. Trotsky practically admits the failure of Bolshevism).—

Western Mail, Cardiff.

"I think that hat is too young for you, Cynthia, darling!"

"So that is why you wouldn't try it on?"—

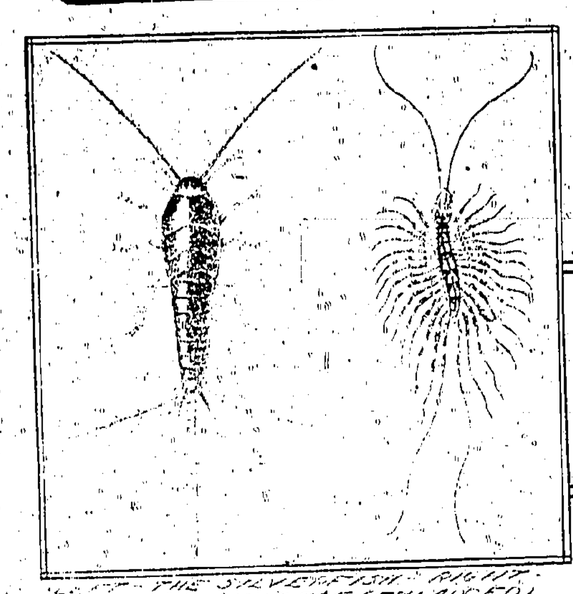
London Mail, London.

THE GIANT RUSSIAN PEASANT.

The Bolshevik finds it impossible to kill him.—

Evening Express, Cardiff.

INSECT PESTS THAT TROUBLE THE HOUSEWIFE



LEFT—THE SILVERFISH. RIGHT—HOUSE CENTIPEDE (ENLARGED)

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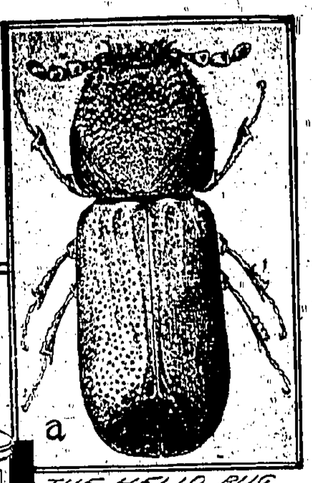
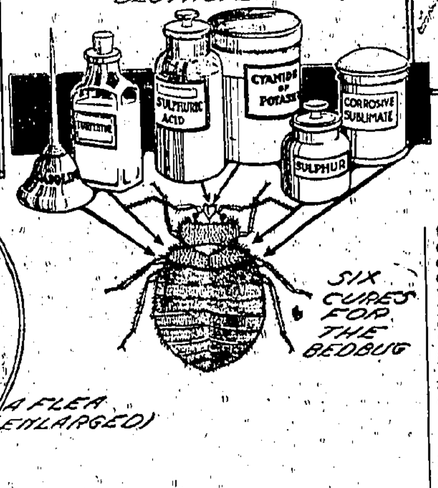


THE HELLO BUG (ENLARGED)



A FLEA (ENLARGED)

SIX CURES FOR THE BEDBUG

The Cotton Boll-Weevil Attacks Her Purse, While Other Kinds of Bugs Do Their Utmost To Interfere With Her Enjoyment of Life.

[By RENE BACHE.]

If disease germs be excepted, the most formidable enemies with which man has to contend are insects. Against them he has been obliged to maintain a fight—never ending, and never likely to end—since first he undertook to tackle the problem of existence on the Earth.

By far the worst economic foe is the boll-weevil, which destroys a billion and a half pounds of our cotton every year—one-fourth of what ought to be the total cotton crop of the United States. Think what that means. Cotton clothes the world. Four-fifths of all the cotton grown is produced in this country. Such a reduction of our annual output adds to the price of every shirt, of every undergarment, of every bed-sheet and pillow-case, of every manufactured article for which cotton is used as raw material.

Loss Over A Billion Annually.

Insects of numerous species, other than the boll-weevil, do at least a billion dollars' worth of damage to crops in this country annually, thereby much increasing the cost of nearly everything we eat. It is a huge tax, passed along to the ultimate consumer. But, quite naturally, the average citizen who is not a farmer is personally most interested in the objectionable bugs that intrude upon his individual environment.

This applies particularly to insects of the household, against which the housewife wages an incessant war. Clothes-moths for instance; roaches and ants; bedbugs and fleas; carpet beetles and "silverfish"; centipedes and spiders, and so on.

The Roach.

The average housewife will flatly deny that there are any roaches on her premises; and, unless she happens to be her own cook and maid-servant, the chances are that she believes what she says. But let her turn on a light suddenly in her kitchen at night, and she will see the horrid insects scurrying in all directions to hide.

Wherever they go they carry foulness, excreting from their mouths a fluid that has a fetid, nauseous odor, which cannot be removed from shelves and dishes without washing with soap and boiling water. They may even invade the family ice-box, polluting the food its contains.

Yet the cure for the mischief is easy. Let the housewife buy at the drugstore a couple of pounds of flouride of sodium (a cheap chemical that comes in the form of a white powder—and distribute it with a blower about the places which the roaches most frequent. A cloud of it may thus be made to settle in every crack in crannies about the kitchen sink, around pipe-holes, and behind pantry shelves. Allow the powder to remain undisturbed for ten days, and at the end of that time there will be no roaches left alive.

They do not eat the stuff; it does not attract them, and it does not drive them away. But contact with the smallest particle of it kills them. All of the powder purchased should be used as it is poisonous and easily mistaken for baking powder.

How The Clothes Moth Chews.

Against clothes-moths women have through long experience learned how to defend themselves fairly well. But—alas, that it must be said—their faith in the red cedar chest is by no means wholly justified. The Bureau of Entomology, after many experimental tests, has found that moth worms, if they happen to be introduced into such a chest, will do as much damage as anywhere else; the cedar does not seem to bother them at all. The winged moths, similarly imprisoned, will live and lay eggs—though the worms hatched from these eggs die.

The tight construction of the cedar chest is largely accountable for the virtue claimed in its behalf. If it be kept closed, moths cannot get into it—which is by no means the case with the average box or trunk. A chest of pine or any other wood is just as good for the purpose, if well made, and if a pound or so of naphthalene be scattered inside of it.

The chewing apparatus of a moth worm is like a pair of miniature safety-razor blades—one blade in each jaw, and the two worked saw-fashion to and fro. By this means the larva reduces woollen material to minute particles, which it swallows. It eats six times its own weight every twenty-four hours.

To grow and maintain its health, a moth worm must have repose and darkness. If disturbed, it cannot develop. Hence the importance of brushing and sunning garments before they are put away. If properly wrapped in newspapers or other paper, moths cannot possibly get at them to lay their eggs. In a trunk or box, naphthalene helps, and is better even than camphor.

The Flea Nuisance.

Often it happens that a family, returning home to an empty house or apartment after a summer's vacation, finds the place literally alive with fleas. They are cat-and-dog fleas, but, being exceedingly hungry, they at once attack the folks in numbers, biting viciously. The situation, for the time being, may be rather serious. The thing to do is to remove all floor coverings, scrub the floors with hot soap-suds, and scatter pyrethrum powder about liberally. If the family dog has come back with the folks, he will soon collect most of the fleas, and he can be relieved of them by taking him outdoors and rubbing him thoroughly with pyrethrum; then they will fall off.

The Bureau of Entomology has listed one hundred and thirty species of fleas, but the cat-and-dog variety—which rarely attacks man if a dog or a cat be around—is by far the most numerous and most widely distributed. Contrary to the popular impression, the eggs, are laid by the insect between the hairs of the cat or dog, are not hatched on the animal, but fall off. Carpets and straw matting help the breeding of fleas; if disturbed with a broom they will not develop.

The Bed Bug.

Most dreaded of all the housewife's enemies is that polecat among insects, the bedbug. She is never entirely safe from its intrusions. It is undoubtedly venomous, and its peculiar and offensive "buggy" odour is due to an oily, volatile fluid which it secretes. There is no question of the fact that it is a carrier of relapsing fever, and it is more than suspected of responsibility for the spreading of many an epidemic of smallpox in cheap lodging-houses.

When blood is not to be had, the bedbug can get along without it for a long time, subsisting on an emergency diet of decayed wood and dust in floor-cracks. It seems to be very intelligent, commonly forsaking a bed in the daytime to hide in safer places. But no pestiferous insect is easier to get rid of. All that is necessary is to clean the floor and furniture with kerosene or gasoline, making sure that cracks behind washboards receive due treatment, and that there are no places available for hiding behind loose wallpaper.

Bite Causes Severe Pain.

Somewhat of a terror is the house centipede. It is not really a centipede, but properly called a myriapod. The Bureau of Entomology suggests that you look for their nests in moist places, in the cellar or elsewhere. The nests, once found, are easily destroyed.

Another very curious household insect is the familiar "silverfish," which gets its name from its fish-like shape and glistening body, clad in scales so smooth that the creature is hard to catch, slipping readily from between the fingers. Shunning light, it runs to hide with amazing swiftness. Its favourite provender is starch, and it does much damage to fabrics and books, gnawing the bindings of the latter. It will eat any starched clothing, linen, or curtains, and will even cause wall-paper to drop off by feeding on the paste.

To abolish this pest is not at all difficult. If a little arsenic be mixed with thick boiled starch paste, scraps of cardboard spread with it and allowed to dry may be judiciously slipped into crevices in bookshelves, behind mantels, under washboards, and in the bottoms of drawers. There will soon be no more silverfishes on the premises.

Ants And Carpet Beetles.

The carpet beetle, whose offspring is the "buffalo bug," is an immigrant from Europe. The larva is an active little grub, clothed with stiff brown hairs. It eats carpets, often following the line of a floor-crack and cutting a long slit, also woollen fabrics. The remedy is a thorough beating of floor-coverings and cleaning of the premises.

Of all pests of the household the hardest to get rid of are ants—particularly the little red ant, or "pharaoh's ant," which is of Old World origin. The common little black ant is a lawn or meadow species, and, when it gains access to dwellings, may in many cases be eliminated by tracing it back to the outdoor colony and destroying the latter with boiling water.

All of our house ants are of tropical origin, and most of them are immigrants from Europe. They are objectionable chiefly because of their habit of getting into food. When an ant has gained access to sugar, cake, or anything else that is appetizing, the discovery is at once reported to the colony, and in a remarkably short time there is a multitude engaged in an organized raid. The only way to deal with ants is to hunt up their domiciliary headquarters and there wipe them out.

House spiders are harmless, save for the webs they spin; they are even beneficial, inasmuch as they catch flies. They do not attack human beings, and, though people are commonly accustomed to attribute any mysterious bite to a spider, there is no ground for such a notion.

Home-Bred Mosquitoes.

There is one species of mosquito which may properly be called a household insect, inasmuch as it is man's inseparable companion and a haunter of his dwellings. It is the common rain-barrel skeet, laying its eggs in the form of a raft on the surface of any water it may find in a pail, an old tin can, a sewer-trap, or other receptacle. Because of its small size, most window screens are of too large a mesh to exclude it—a point well worth the householder's attention. But it is of much greater importance to see that no container of standing water is allowed to remain in the near neighbourhood of a house during the summer months. A half-filled bucket in the back yard will yield a continuous crop of several hundred mosquitoes daily.

The Fly.

Flies are at once the most annoying and the most dangerous of all house pests. They are attracted into houses by the smell of cooking food. Filth-born and frequenters of filth, they bring to our kitchens and our tables germs of typhoid and other intestinal complaints. Swatting is of little avail so long as maintenance is permitted of incubators—unclean stables—for the breeding of untold myriads of the abominable insects. The mischief could soon and easily be abolished by the enforcement of municipal regulations requiring the weekly collection and removal of all horse manure.

In conclusion it may be worth while to speak of an insect of new notoriety which, though not a household pest, is already becoming a serious affliction to householders in some parts of the country, especially in southern California and Texas. Known as the "short-circuit beetle," or "hello bug," it bores tiny holes in telephone cables. Through the holes rain-water seeps, finding its way into the canal that contains the wires, and thereby short-circuiting the electric current. By this means a single boring may put hundreds of telephones out of commission.

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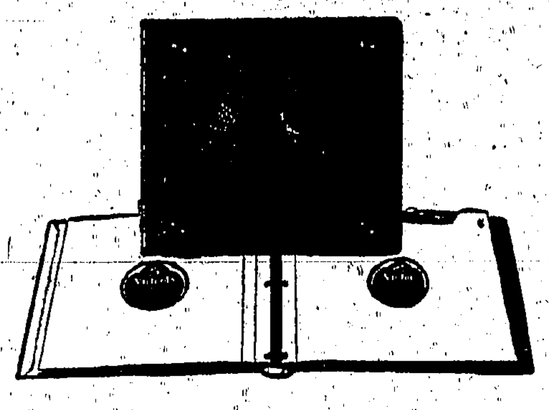

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PATRIOTS ALWAYS.

This evening the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden will echo to the stirring strains of the melody which has become the accepted psalm of Welsh nationalism—"Hen Wlad Fy Nhadau" ("Land of My Fathers"), the occasion being the observance by the Welsh community of St. David's Day (March 1) by the holding of a dinner and social gathering. The celebrations are taking place to-day for obvious reasons, and although it would be exaggeration to write that leeks were greatly to the fore in the streets of Hongkong this morning a few metal models were observed in buttonholes. These, it is understood, were provided by the Hongkong Cymdeithas Dewi Sant (St. David's Society), which apparently is taking no notice of the decree of H.M. stationers that the national emblem of Wales should be the daffodil, and the leeks, together with to-night's gathering, should serve to remind the people of Hongkong—as others will be reminded in every city of the British Empire and every town sufficiently large to have its own St. David's Society—what the world owes to small nations.

In that famous speech delivered in London during the War, Mr. Lloyd George pointed out that the greatest art of the world and the most enduring literature of the world were the work of little nations. The heroic deeds that thrilled humanity through generations were the deeds of little nations fighting for their freedom. In that ringing voice of his he called upon the compatriots he addressed to note that the salvation of mankind came through a little nation. "God has chosen little nations as the vessels by which He carries the choicest wines to the lips of humanity, to rejoice their hearts, to exalt their vision, to stimulate and to strengthen their faith, and if we had stood by when two little nations were being crushed and broken by the brutal hands of barbarism our shame would have rung down the everlasting ages." In the great war during which these words were spoken Welshmen took a noble part, as was only to be expected of the race which faced the Normans for hundreds of years in their struggle for freedom, which helped materially to win the battle of Crecy, and which fought for a generation under Owen Glendower against the greatest captain in Europe. Now that the turmoil is more or less ended, Wales, in common with other nations which took part in it, is experiencing a measure of patriotism which has been described by one of whom various opinions are held, even by his own countrymen, but who stands out pre-eminently as one of the greatest figures of his day—Mr. Lloyd George—as "richer, more glorious, than the old." We had been living in a sheltered valley for generations, he said; we had been too comfortable, too indulgent, many, perhaps, too selfish. "The stern hand of fate has scourged us to an elevation where we can see the great everlasting things that matter for a nation, the great peaks of honour we had forgotten, duty and patriotism, and, clad in glittering white, the great pinnacle of sacrifice pointing like a rugged finger to Heaven."

A Good Showing.

Shareholders at local company meetings have of late shown a tendency to be inquisitive, which is always a healthy sign, and must not be construed merely as destructive criticism that leads nowhere. At the Hongkong Tramways meeting yesterday, there was complete silence when question time came. That may imply perfect accord with the Directors' policy on the part of the thirteen humble shareholders present, or it may mean that they were so satisfied with the distribution of a bonus—even though in shares and not hard cash—that they repressed any tendency that may have existed to ask anything about the Company's position and prospects. Still, it is all to the good that the bonus distribution in shares was unanimously confirmed, in spite of the fact that this in itself is tantamount to increasing the capital of the concern. Voluntarily to increase their holdings is a good sign, although that voluntaryism was suggested by the Directors. It shows that they have strong faith in the company's future. For that the results of the past year's working should provide ample justification. And the announcement that half a dozen more cars of a larger and more modern type than the present standard car are to be provided during the current year further demonstrates that there is to be no standing still, heedless of the growing demands of the tram-travelling public. After all, the public—the man in the car—is the best critic of the service, as he is also the best patron when he is pleased. He it is who provides the wherewithal for the company's success, and he it is whom the Company has to study. That the Hongkong Tramways Company fully realises the paramount importance of catering to the needs of the public is of mutual satisfaction.

A Rest Spell.

Because he has predicted that within another generation America's oil pools will have been drained and America's Navy and mercantile marine will be at Britain's mercy, the New York "Sun" prescribes for Rear-Admiral Phelps, of the Naval General Board, "complete rest and quiet for a time." It is not likely, of course, that the new "Doctor Sun" of New York will be obeyed. It is more probable that its own chances of "complete rest and quiet for a time" will be rendered more remote than ever they were, by very reason of the flame that it has added to the torch of what the New York "World" calls the "big Navy" men. The funny thing about the whole business is that Americans themselves are far from unanimous as to present and future conditions for national safety. Even the experts are at war—a wordy war it is true—with each other in a controversy that, for spice and bitterness, threatens to eclipse all other topics of the American world,—Prohibition included. Thus, the "Kansas City Star" declares that "the country is not alarmed, but merely insistent that the Navy be kept up to the treaty ratio." The Philadelphia "North American" asserts that "the ratio does not exist," and that "the pretence that it does is causing all the controversy." The Cincinnati "Post" says that "the so-called ratio is only a fiction of the most dangerous sort." And the New York "Evening World" states that "the American Navy not only is outraged by the British Navy, but the latter is two knots faster than America's." If the New York "Sun" is going to act the role of doctor and hand out prescriptions for a "complete rest and quiet for a time," it is not going to have much time for its own newspaper duties!

VOLUNTEER CORPS.

LONG SERVICE MEDAL.

The following extracts are from current Volunteer Defence Corps Orders:

A Colonial Auxiliary Forces Long Service Medal has been awarded by His Excellency the Governor to L/Corpl. Piper N. Drummond of the Scottish Company.

The following promotions and appointments will take effect from February 27.—Mounted Infantry Company: L/Corpl. D. G. Bruce to be Corporal; L/Corpl. O. Eager to be Corporal; Private F. J. W. Focken to be L/Corpl., Gunnery Instructor. No. 1. Platoon:—Private H. K. Prosser to be Lance Corporal.

CORRESPONDENCE.

UNIVERSITY EXTENSION LECTURE.

[*To the Editor of the China Mail.*]

Sir,—May I suggest, through your valuable columns, to those responsible that the rest of the series of eleven lectures on "Problems of Industry and economics considered ethically and in the light of modern Psychology" to be delivered by Professor John Smith on Thursday afternoons in the Great Hall of the University, be given in St. John's Cathedral Hall or some such centrally located meeting place, and at, say, 5.30 p.m., so that not only may students benefit from these lectures but also the many business men who would be only too glad to have the opportunity of listening to such a capable lecturer as Professor Smith speak on a subject that should interest them greatly.

I was surprised to see only a few men from the University last Thursday, and I believe I am right in suggesting that two birds could be killed with one stone if the lectures were given in town.

Yours, etc.,

ONE INTERESTED.

Hongkong, February 27, 1925.

TEMPORARY HALT.

POSITION IN CANTON.

CADETS BEING SENT TO WAICHOW.

(*From Our Own Correspondent.*)

CANTON, February 27.

Rumour has it that General Chan Kwing-ming will not be able to offer battle for some time as he is short of ammunition for his men.

At any rate his troops are still falling back, in order it should be stated, and demonstrating at unfrequent intervals. Meanwhile, the victorious pro-Sun forces have called a temporary halt, nominally, to consolidate their gains.

This morning it was reported that the now famous "military cadets brigade," comprising several thousand youths from the Whampoa "Red" Academy, are to be sent on an offensive against Waichow. The Yunnanese are resting their laurels.

Anti-Sun Risings.

(*From Our Own Correspondent.*)

PAKKAI, KONGMOON, Feb. 27.

All is not well with the pro-Sun rulers. At the Yanping border small anti-Sun risings are reported. General Leung Hung-kai has obtained a large quantity of munitions of war from General Hsu Shung-chi and is preparing to counteract the anti-Sun activity down south. Kongmoon is generally quiet.

I have received confirmation of the capture of Yeungkong by Commander Chan Cheung-po and the attendant slaughter of non-combatants. Yeungkong is still in anti-Sun hands, but the advancing troops have not penetrated into Sze Yap territory to any appreciable extent.

TAXI DRIVER'S TRIAL.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE ACQUITTAL.

The case for the defence had not finished when the jury announced yesterday afternoon in the course of the proceedings against the driver charged with manslaughter that they were satisfied with it as it stood.

The charge concerned a collision between the car driven by the accused, a rikisha, and a coolie at 1 a.m. on January 7 as a result of which the coolie sustained injuries from which he died.

Mr. Elsley Zeitlyn appeared for the accused (instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton.)

The Attorney General, who prosecuted, told the jury that if they believed the story now told by the prisoner they would have to find that there had been an unfortunate accident for which he ought not to be held responsible and in which he did all he could in an emergency. It was not, however, the story told by him when formally charged. He had then told the police that the accident was caused through his trying to avoid a truck and now he said that he was avoiding another pedestrian.

The jury found the driver not guilty and he was accordingly discharged.

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SPORTS CABLES.

CRICKET.

FINAL OF THE TEST MATCHES.

(*Reuter's Service.*)

Sydney, February 27.

There was a crowd of 20,000 present to-day to watch the fifth and final test match between England and Australia.

Collins won the toss and Australia batted first, losing 3 wickets for 77 before lunch.

At 5.30, when bad light necessitated stumps being drawn, the home side had lost 7 wickets for 239.

Gilligan, before the start, anticipated two days in the field. He is, consequently, pleased with the day's work. The English bowling was admirable. Gilligan describes Kilner as "heroic." Only Kappax, who is making his first appearance in a Test match, and Ponsford saved the Australian side from collapse.

Kippax batted soundly for one hour and 41 minutes. Ponsford, who was at the wickets 2 hours and 20 minutes, played attractive cricket, but was lucky.

The English field was excellent. Strudwick was superb; Gilligan inspiring and dazzling. Scores:—

AUSTRALIA.—1ST INNINGS.

H. L. Collins, c Strudwick, b Gilligan	1
J. S. Ryder, b Kilner	29
S. E. Gregory, run out	29
J. M. Taylor, c Whysall, b Tate	15
T. J. E. Andrews, c Whysall, b Kilner	26
M. Ponsford, c Woolley, b Kilner	80
A. Kippax, b Kilner	42
C. Kelleway, not out	9
Extras	8
Total (for 7 wkts.)	239

Fall of wickets:—1|3, 2|55, 3|64, 4|99, 5|103, 6|208, 7|239.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	R.	W.
Kilner	82	4
Tate	62	1
Gilligan	40	1

RUM AND AMMUNITION.

INDIAN GUARD JAILED.

ONE ROUND PLACED IN HIS BOOT.

Katar Singh, guard on the s.s. "Kinshan," who when he was arrested last Monday by a Chinese Revenue Officer, smashed two bottles of dutiable rum and was fined $20 the following day, was again before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Central Magistracy this morning on a charge of unlawful possession of one round of ammunition.

Captain Bloxham stated that on being searched at the Police Station on the occasion of his previous arrest, the round of ammunition was found inside his boot. On a report being made by the Chief Officer of the vessel on Thursday that 100 rounds of ammunition had been stolen from the ship's armoury the C. S. P. asked witness to prosecute the guard as he might have had something to do with the theft.

The accused said that after musketry practice he had a spare round of ammunition which he put in his boot.

His Worship considered the explanation to be unsatisfactory, and imposed a sentence of one month's hard labour.

Revolver and Dagger.

Noor Ahmed, another ship's guard, is being charged with unlawful possession of a revolver and a dagger, which were found in his overcoat pocket on being searched at the Chiu On wharf. It is alleged that, on being stopped for a search, the accused attempted to throw the revolver back to the ship.

IN NEED OF CLOTHES.

A report of the theft of jewellery, money and clothing amounting to $130 in the early hours of yesterday has been made by Mr. T. Moffatt, of No. 29, Bonham Road, ground floor. The thief entered the premises by removing the door bolt. He apparently donned some of the stolen garments and discarded his own, as two old jackets were found at the back of the premises.

In Lyttleton Road yesterday a Chinese snatched a lady's hand-bag, containing articles and money to the value of $12.70, and managed to escape.

On arrival here, the British India Line s.s. Talamba reported that on February 10, when at Moji, there was a collision with the Arabia Maru, a ship which is not unknown in Hongkong. Both ships were damaged.

RUSSIA THE PARAGON.

LABOUR'S UNDILUTED PRAISE.

SOVIET GOOD WORKS.

Setting the Example For The Rest of the World.

Rose-tinted spectacles must have been worn by the British Labour delegates who visited Russia last year, judging from their official report which has now been published.

GENERAL LIBERTY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, February 27.

The official report of the British Trade Union delegation to Russia in November and December of last year has now been issued. It is a voluminous document of 250 pages with illustrations, maps, index and glossary.

The conclusions are that the Union of Soviet Republics is a strong stable State. Its Government is based (1) on a system of State socialism that has the active support of the large majority of the workers and the acceptance of an equally large majority of the peasants; (2) on one Federal structure that gives very full cultural and very fair political liberties to the racial and regional minorities, together with full religious toleration.

The machinery of Government seems to work well. The Government is in everywise better than anything Russia has ever had, and has done and is doing work in which other and older State systems have failed and are still failing.

These good results have reconciled all but a very small minority to renouncing the opposition that is essential to political liberty elsewhere.

This causes no resistance, partly because these rights are replaced by others more valuable under the Soviet system and partly because the recent movement has been steadily towards their restoration.

Finally the whole constitutes a new and most interesting departure that is well worth foreign study, and a new development that may be greatly benefited by foreign assistance.

Trade Union Levy.

London, February 27.

The critical question of the Trade Union political levy was lengthily discussed by the Cabinet to-day when it considered the report of the committee presided over by Lord Birkenhead which stated that the committee recommended the introduction of legislation regarding the matter without delay in view of the strong Conservative feeling throughout the country in favour of such action.

According to the newspapers a majority of the Cabinet favoured acceptance of the committee's recommendation.

Meanwhile both Labour and Liberal amendments for the rejection of the MacQuisten bill have been notified.

[The private members' Bill, which was subjected to a storm of Labour and Liberal denunciation in advance, was read a first time in the House of Commons last week. Its object is to separate the political and industrial funds of Trade Unions, make illegal political levies without specific agreement of the members instead of the present system. The Bill rigidly forbids the application of ordinary funds to political purposes and lays down that political contributions are collectable quarterly, half yearly or annually. The measure is assured a strong Conservative backing, but its fate depends on the Government granting facilities for its passage.]

TAKE A REST!

ADVICE TO AMERICAN ADMIRAL.

New York, February 27.

Rear-Admiral Phelps' outburst has provoked smiles rather than serious attention. The "Sun" points out that his policy would cost the United States over three billion dollars and says one would imagine it would not be Britain who would get sore about all this, but the American taxpayer. The "Sun" prescribes for Rear-Admiral Phelps "complete rest and quiet for a time." The "World" declares that it makes no difference to Rear-Admiral Phelps that we are in agreement with Britain upon more points at present of international concern —from payment of loans to further development of the Washington Arms Treaty—than with any other nation in the world. The paper suggests that recent outbursts of war scare talk seem to show a base for the reported existence of a cabal of "big navy" men whose purpose is to impede President Coolidge's arms limitations programme if they can.—Reuter's American Service.

[Rear-Admiral Phelps, of the Naval General Board, in a speech at Washington on February 24, declared that the bulk of the world's supply of oil is under English control," and within another generation, when the American pools have been drained, as they are now being drained not only by America but also by England and Japan to conserve their own oil reserve, America's navy and merchant marine will be at England's mercy. He added: "You will be glad to buy petrol at a dollar a gallon." He also expressed the opinion that America's ambition to build a large merchant marine had created animosity among English shipping interests.]

Paris, February 27.—French caterpillar motor cars coming from Tunisia have reached Lake Chad, this covering a distance of 3,500 kilometres.—Havas.

FOR AMERICANS ONLY.

TURKISH CONCESSIONS HOARDED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

NEW YORK, February 27.

The Ottoman American Development Company has refused a British financial group's offer to take over the Chester concessions.

The company stated that it intended to keep the concessions under American control.

[Admiral Chester secured extensive concessions in Asia Minor for American financial interests.]

NEXT PLEASE.

GERMANS AFTER SOVIET TRADE.

(Reuter's Service.)

MOSCOW, February 27.

A German delegation has arrived to negotiate a commercial treaty.

£14,000,000 MORE.

BIGGER CIVIL SERVICE ESTIMATES.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, February 27.

The Civil Service Estimates for 1925-1926 are £287,000,000, compared with £301,000,000 last year

LAND OWNERSHIP.

ALIEN LAW SUBMITTED TO DIET.

Tokio, February 27.

The Government has re-submitted to the Diet the Alien Land-ownership Law of 1910, which was never promulgated. It has been amended to read that the right of owning land may be granted to any resident alien or registered alien body, except nationals of those countries not granting similar rights to Japanese.—Reuter.

INDIANS REVOLT.

Panama, February 27.

The British Minister has ordered the British Consul of Colon to proceed aboard the American cruiser Cleveland to San Blas Territory, where the Indians have risen, owing to the alleged cruelties and excesses by the Panaman officials. It is reported that the Indians have slain a score of Panamans, including Luis Majica, nephew of the Panaman Governor of San Blas. The Indians declared their independence and requested the United States to take over the territory.—Reuter's American Service.

Panama, February 27.

The National Assembly has proclaimed martial law at San Blas.—Reuter's American Service.

Paris, February 27.—The financial conference held at the Quai d'Orsay had decided, with a view to improving the exchange value of the franc, to make further cuts in the budget estimates. In Chambers it was decided to impose a tax on foreigners. Identity cards will be raised to 200 francs. Foreign workers fulfilling certain conditions, and students, will pay only ten francs.—Havas.

Moscow, February 27.—The newspapers publish the full text of the Soviet-Japanese agreement.—Reuter.

STRONG PROTEST.

GERMANY HECKLES LEAGUE.

(Reuter's Service.)

BERLIN, February 27.

Germany's seventh protest to the League of Nations against the presence of French troops in the Saar is more strongly worded than its predecessors.

The Note declares that the position has not improved in spite of an assurance by the Council of the League over a year ago that the employment of French troops would be purely temporary.

The Note contends that the present situation violates the clearest stipulations for the peace treaty.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

TREATY TEXT PUBLISHED IN TOKIO.

(By Courtesy of Daily Bulletin.)

Tokio, February 26.

The official text of the Russo-Japanese Agreement has been published, and it is practically in accordance with the summary supplied by Reuter's correspondent at Peking on January 21.

Baron Shidehara, in the course of a statement, expresses his congratulations on the conclusion of the re-establishment of amicable and friendly relations with Russia, which "means much for the stabilisation of international relationships in the Far East." He says that only questions of minor importance await settlement, which, if approached with sincere intentions, can easily be solved. He declares that the preservation of the relationships, peace and friendship, a faithful respect for each others' proper rights freely to govern their life within the sphere of their own jurisdiction are fundamentally important to the Russo-Japanese relations. He hopes that the Japanese people will make unstinted efforts to accomplish the object of the treaty, as he is convinced that the Soviet will observe the provisions and spirit of the treaty with entire sincerity.

TEXT PUBLISHED IN MOSCOW.

Moscow, February 27.

The newspapers published the text of the Soviet Agreement with Japan.—Reuter.

PROTEST FROM PEKING.

Peking, February 27.

The Chinese Government, on February 11, lodged a protest with M. Karakhan (the Soviet Ambassador) with regard to the recognition of the Treaty of Portsmouth, contained in the Soviet-Japan Agreement.

The protest was based on Article 4 of the Sino-Russian Agreement, on general principles.

The Chinese note to M. Karakhan recalls the Note mentioned on January 20 and goes on to assert that the Russo-Japanese Treaty is reported to include Soviet recognition of the Portsmouth Treaty, in which are several articles, which affect the territorial sovereignty, rights and interests of China.

This contravention of the Sino-Russian Agreement, in which the Soviet declared all treaties, etcetera, concluded with the Tsarist Government with any third country, which may prejudice China's rights, shall be null and void. The Soviet also declared it would not conclude any Treaty with a third country which would affect China.

For the above-mentioned reasons, the Chinese Government protests and declares it will not recognise violation of the Sino-Russian Agreement on the part of the Soviet Government.

The Peking Foreign Office similarly protested to Japan on January 20.

Presumably the Chinese protest is mainly based on the fact that, by recognising the Portsmouth Treaty, the new Russo-Japanese Treaty recognises the transference to Japan of the Russian lease of the Liaotung Peninsula, including Port Arthur.

In reply, M. Karakhan asserts that he only agreed to recognise the Portsmouth Treaty when he was satisfied recognition could not affect the rights and interests of China. He says by the two Acts, signed in Peking between China and Japan on December 22, 1905, China recognised the rights ceded to Japan in the Portsmouth Treaty then lost the significance as an international act affecting China's rights and interests. He assures the Peking Foreign Office that the Russo-Japanese Treaty does not embody any questions, affecting the rights and interests of the Chinese people.—*Reuter.*

Berlin, February 27.—Herr Ebert passed a good night. His condition has improved.—Reuter.

THRILLING SEA DRAMA.

RUSH TO RESCUE BLAZING STEAMER.

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.

Ship Blows Up With 31 Souls on Board.

The steamer "Julia Luckenbach," which rushed to the rescue of the burning Japanese steamer "Ginyo Maru," arrived at 3 a.m., and found a sea dotted with lifeboats, surrounding a blazing ship.

San Francisco.

Shortly afterwards there was a terrible explosion, and the fate of the captain and 30 members of the crew, who had remained aboard, is unknown.

"Ship afire, come quick." This, the most dreaded message from the sea, came by radio at midnight from the Ginyo Maru, a Japanese steamer. Its position was 1,500 miles west of Acapulco, Mexico.

The steamer, which is en route from Valparaiso to Japan, and intended calling at San Francisco, has 80 saloon passengers aboard, and a crew of 100.

Within a few minutes all Pacific radios were silenced, in order to give full opportunity for the direction of ships to the rescue, while the steamer Julia Luckenbach speeded to the scene. The Julia Luckenbach arrived at 3 a.m. to-day, finding a calm sea dotted with lifeboats surrounding the blazing ship. The captain and 30 members of the crew stayed aboard in the forlorn hope of fighting the fire, which had entered No. 4 hold, where nitrates were momentarily expected to explode. The Julia Luckenbach stood by after rescuing the occupants of the lifeboats, and at 5 o'clock saw an explosion like terrific fireworks.

With daylight, the radio failed, leaving the fate of the captain and the 30 members of the crew doubtful.

The Ginyo Maru is a twin-screw vessel, 8,600 tons, and was built in 1921. She is owned by the Toyo Kisen Kabushiki Kaisha, and is registered at Yokohama. Her dimensions are: Length 445ft. breath, 58ft., depth 40ft.

LOCAL COMMERCE.

CHAMBER'S FORTNIGHTLY REPORT.

In the fortnightly report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, the following is taken from the chapter on imports:—

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods:—The market remains unchanged and until the political horizon clears little improvement is to be looked for. Unrest in adjoining provinces is adversely affecting clearances. Latest cotton quotations to hand are those of February 26. Mid. Am. 13.90d. Eg. Sakallerides 35.90. The Manchester market is steady.

Cotton Yarn:—Our market has shown no improvement during the last fortnight and remains dull and depressed. Dealers are afraid to operate owing to the unsettled state of affairs in Canton. Nominal quotations are as follows:—No. 10s. $220 230. No. 12s. $220 235. No. 16s. $230 240. No. 20s. $230 235. Arivals 2,650. Shipments nil. Sales nil. Unsold stock 11,500 bales. Bargains 2,000 bales.

Woollens:—Sales of Serge on a fair scale are reported, but otherwise market is dull.

Raw Cottons:—There is no change to report.

Metals:—Business stagnant and clearances poor.

Flour Market Report:—Stock: 650,000 sacks. Market: Steady. Quotations: American Patent. $4.90 per sack; American Straight, $4.05 per sack; American Cut off, $4.00 per sack; Shanghai Flour, $3.60 per sack; Australian No. 1, $4.05 per sack; Canadian Cut off, $3.80 per sack.

Sundries:—Market quiet.

Sugar:—Market dull.

Saltpetre:—Brisk demands forthcoming from Waichow and Kohgmoon districts for 10 per cent. refraction.

MAINTENANCE ORDER.

CASE TO BE REFERRED TO HOME SECRETARY.

At the Magistracy yesterday afternoon a decision was reached in the case in which Charles Edward Stewart was summoned to show cause why an order for maintenance made in Wales in respect of his wife should not be confirmed.

Mr. H. E. Holmes, Crown Solicitor, was in Court. Mr. W. B. Hind represented Mr. Stewart.

An argument was raised as regards domicile, Mr. Stewart asserting that as defendant was domiciled in Scotland the order made in Wales was null and void.

It was decided that the matter be referred to the Home Secretary, Mr. Stewart agreeing to abide by the decision.

ROBBERY ON A JUNK.

CASE AT MAGISTRACY.

Three men, who are alleged to have posed as constables committed an armed robbery on board a junk which was anchored in the Yaumati Typhoon Shelter on January 22, when the master was victimised to the extent of $141. As a result of police enquiries one of the men who was formerly employed on board the steam launch Hoi On as a guard under the Piracy Prevention Ordinance, was arrested and charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon with robbery by two or more.

The evidence of the prosecution was partly heard, and the case adjourned till Monday.

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SAFE AND SOUND.

(Reuter's Service.)

Barcelona, February 28.

Major Osborne Wood, son of the Governor of the Philippines, who was reported missing, has arrived here.

FRENCH ECONOMY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, February 28.

The Chamber of Deputies has adopted the articles of the Budget limiting the effectives of the Army to 607,000 and those of the Navy to 60,000.

FRESH FISH.

WELCOME DEPARTURE BY DAIRY FARM.

Fresh fish—and plenty of it—will be obtainable at the Dairy farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company's depot and branches on and after Monday. In establishing the new department the Company has been actuated by a desire to meet the needs of its numerous customers, a number of whom have repeatedly suggested that the Company cater for them in regard to such necessities. The completion of the new cold stores at East Point facilitates arrangements.

The new department will certainly prove a boon to many of the Company's patrons in view of the reasonable prices, which compare favourably with market quotations, notwithstanding the fact that the Company will retail a cleaned and trimmed article (minus head and tail.

VETERAN OFFICIAL.

A PRESENTATION IN THE SUPREME COURT.

A pleasing ceremony took place at the Supreme Court to-day, the occasion being the presentation to Mr. A. B Suffiad of a gold wrist watch and band on behalf of his colleagues.

Mr. Suffiad, Chief Justice's Clerk, as reported in yesterday's "China Mail," retires to-day after a connection with the Hongkong judiciary extending over 36 years.

Mr. T. F. O'Sullivan, second bailiff, Supreme Court, made the presentation.

FIRE OUTBREAK.

MATSHEDS DESTROYED AT QUARRY BAY.

Shortly before 10 30 o'clock last night a fire broke out in the Quarry Bay district involving two large matsheds occupied by the coolies employed by the Netherlands Works Company. Both Central and the Wanchai Fire Brigade Stations sent engines, but before they could arrive on the scene, both matsheds were entirely destroyed.

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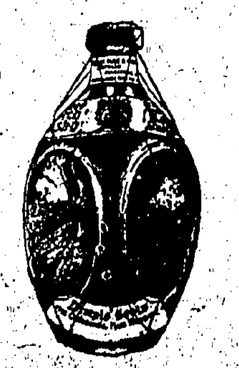

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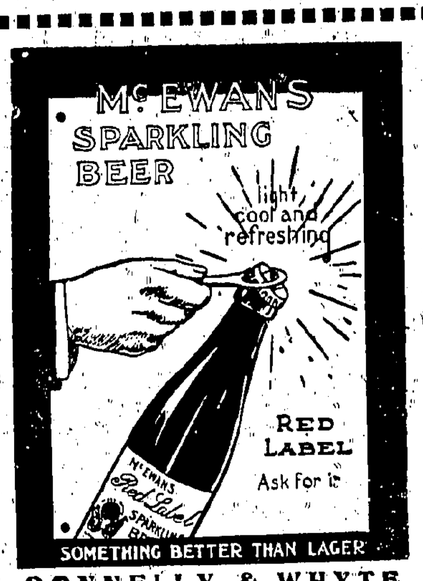

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RADIO WEDDING

A very large crowd—in fact, one that would probably have overflowed every church in the city—heard the wedding ceremony that joined William Stuart, popular composer, and Miss Laura Portway, as man and wife. They were married before a microphone. This picture, taken in the broadcast room during the ceremony, shows the bride and groom and Dr. William Darlington, the officiating clergyman.

League Worker.

SIR W. DICKINSON.

The Right Hon. Sir Willoughby Dickinson, of London, a member of the Union of League of Nations Societies, interested in world peace through churches, is shown as he left the White House in Washington after conferring with President Coolidge over his mission.

WEIGHING LONDON FOG.

The thick fog which lately converted daylight into darkness in London, was measured at the Meteorological Office in Kensington. The fog was drawn through a tube and recorded inside the bottle.

ERMA L. FORD.

Miss Erma Louise Ford, has been awarded a motor car as one of the capital prizes in the national contest on better home lighting.

SENTENCED TO BE HANGED ON FRIDAY THE THIRTEENTH.

DIE FRIDAY THE 13TH!

Willie Jones, at the left, and Gervais Bloodworth, are shown facing the judge in court, when he sentenced them to be hanged on Friday, February 13. The boys—they are mere children—were convicted of murdering and robbing a prosperous neighbour on December 3, 1923. Desperate efforts had been made to save their lives. Once, when their execution was postponed by an injunction, the unique claim was set up that, as they were not hanged on the date set for their execution they were legally dead, and could not therefore be hanged.

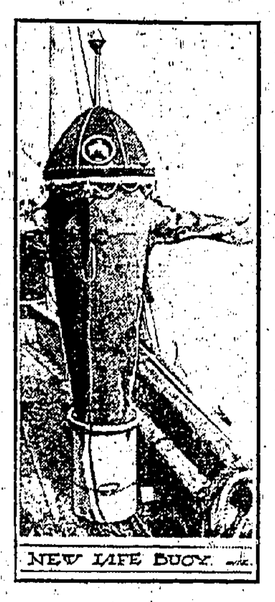
MRS MARGARET MINELLA

Mrs. Margaret Minella, is under arrest, the police alleging that a youth died after drinking poisoned whisky, he said he had purchased from her.

PEGGY BOOTH.

The silver screen upon which pretty Peggy Booth, of Hollywood, always depicted tragedy was a mirror of her soul. Away from the studio, too, she found life a tragedy. Her diary says: "I'm feeling blue, as usual. What's the matter?" She could stand it no longer, so she took poison. Her chances for recovery were regarded as slight.

Safety at Sea.

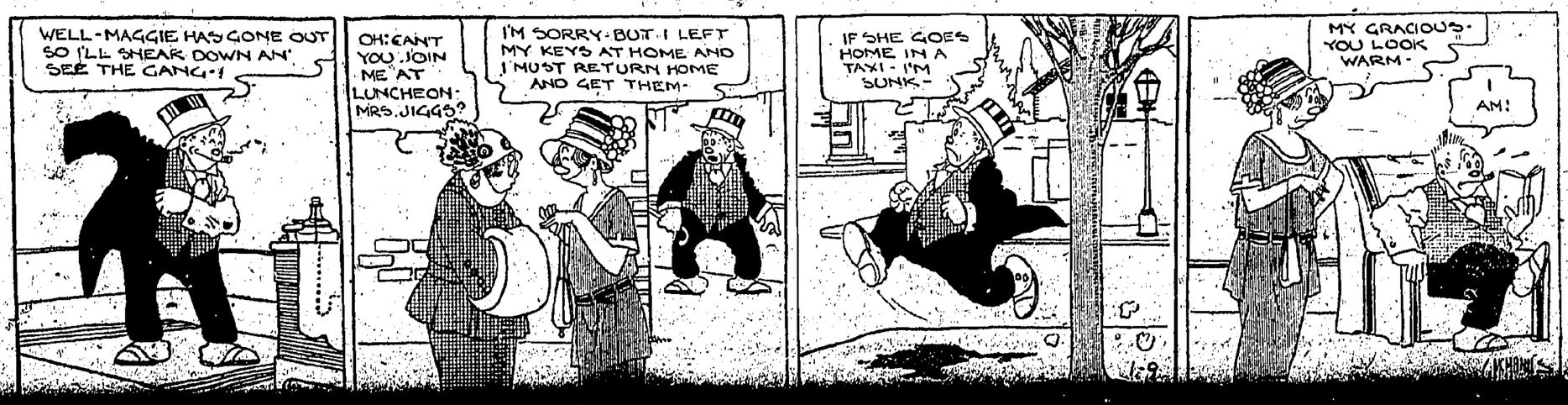

NEW LIFE BUOY.

A practical test is being made in Germany of this new style in life buoys intended for use at sea. It is declared it cannot sink and that it will maintain a person in comfort for several days. The buoy has a water tight window and is equipped with a receptacle for food and a Verey light pistol for signalling.

Above: ROSA PONSELLE & AL SIMMONS
Below: ROSCOE POUND & EARL B. MAYFIELD

Rosa Ponselle, opera singer, has been taken acutely ill with stomach trouble, and has been compelled to cancel a concert tour. United States Senator Earle Mayfield, of Texas, charged with the excessive use of money in his election and with being backed by the Ku Klux Klan, has been exonerated by the Senate Sub-committee of Privileges and Elections. Roscoe Pound, dean of the Harvard University Law School, has been elected president of the University of Wisconsin, in Madison. Al Simmons, celebrated English lightweight, is to participate in the series of elimination contests to select a successor to Benny Leonard as world's champion.

BRINGING UP FATHER!



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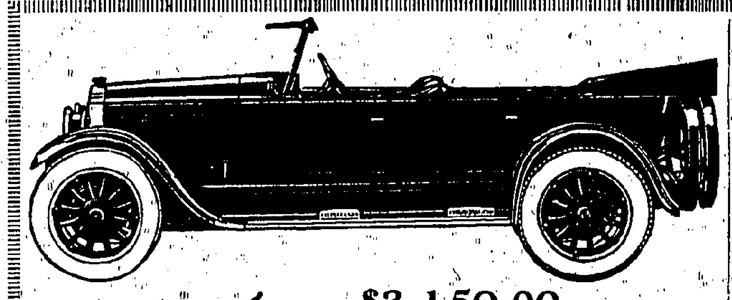

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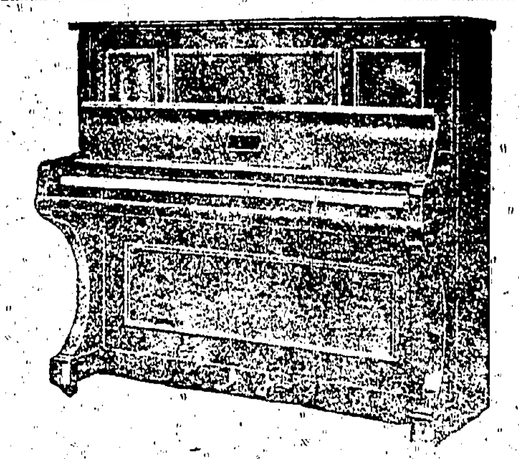

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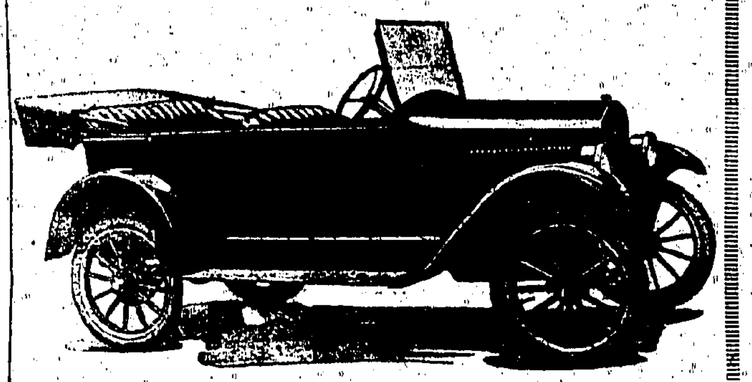

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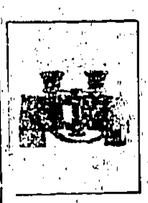

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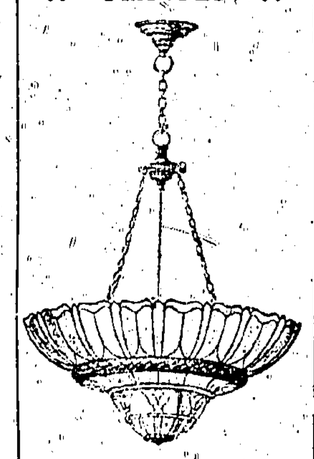

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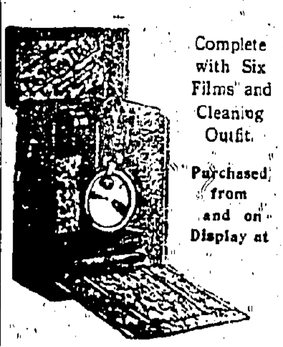

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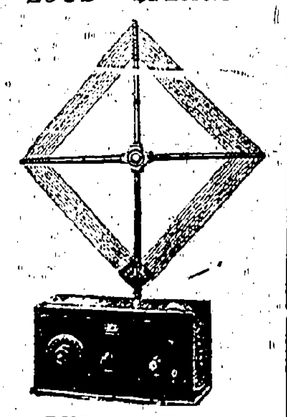

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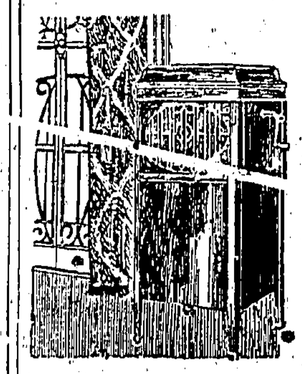

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A fire occurred in the Shing Hing paper shop in Saikyan, Canton, at about 10 o'clock on Tuesday evening. The shop and a part of the neighbouring shop were destroyed.

It is stated that there are 603 people over 90 years of age in Hyogo Prefecture, the oldest being 103, a woman, followed by another woman of 102, and four women all 100 years old.

Arrangements of St. John's Cathedral to observe the season of Lent include a series of Wednesday evening addresses on "Meditations on the Passion." These will be given by the Rev. R. J. Northcott, C.F.

The Tientsin authorities have invited tenders for the collection of the special tax on cigars and cigarettes. This tax is the same as that levied in Kiangsu and Chêkiang, which has been declared by the British and American Ministers to be illegal.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society will be held in the Cathedral Hall on Tuesday next at 5.15 p.m. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., will preside, and the speakers will be the Rt. Rev. H. J. Molony, D.D., Bishop in Chekiang, and the Ven. Archdeacon Barnett, M.A. Tea will be served at 4.30 p.m.

"The Little Theatre Monthly" for January contains an article by R. K. M. Simpson, formerly of the Hongkong University, on "The Little Theatre in the Far East." It deals with the activities of the Hongkong A.D.C. and Mr. W. Sinclair as producer. The article is illustrated with several views of the settings of "The Tempest."

The Bishop of Victoria (Dr. Duppuy) has issued a Lenten Pastoral letter in the course of which he says:—

Worship is the contemplation of what is greater than ourselves and my hope is that many of you will come together this Lent as fellow-seekers to wait upon God's Call. It may be that through the silence, through the music, or through the worship of others God will speak, that the buried life will arise and we shall find strength and peace.

Marines are warned of Station practice by the military on March 5.

No. 3 College View has been exempted from the provisions of the Rents Ordinance.

A strike has been declared by the millworkers in Tangshan, near Tientsin, and 3,000 persons have been thrown idle.

H.M.S. Dionede left Shanghai on February 18, for Nanking and Chinkiang and is expected to return in about 10 days.

It is reported that the Commissioner of Shanghai and Woosung Police has decided to increase the strength of his force by 3,000 men, most of whom will be recruited from the 1st National (Fengtien) Army.

According to investigations made by the agents of the Peking Government China at present has 117 army divisions, 197 ordinary and mixed brigades, and 49 regiments, the strength of her military forces being 2,476,200. This is regarded as a conservative estimate.

Public organisations of Hankow, Wuchang, Tientsin, Soochow, Nanking and Hangchow have telegraphed to Peking asking that their respective cities shall be transformed into special municipal areas on lines similar to Shanghai. Probably Peking is regretting that it ever issued the order for Shanghai's transformation.

Mr. W. Sinclair is having made various stage models of settings from "Saint Joan." This he will take to England and the models will be shown in the Hongkong section of the Wembley Exhibition. It will be remembered that a number of stage models prepared for Mr. Sinclair were quite a feature of the Hongkong Section in the last Exhibition.

The young General, Chang Hsiao-liang, has recommended that the Hungjao Aerodrome should be used for the purpose for which it was built and offers to send aeroplanes here for a commercial undertaking, the machines also to carry mail and passengers on lines similar to the Mukden-Newchwang Aeronautical Bureau, of which he is Director, if the Central Government will give its permission.

The annual speech day of the Diocesan Boys' School will be held on Tuesday, March 10, at 3.15 p.m.

A meeting of the Education Board will be held at the Education Office on Wednesday at 3 p.m.

A notification regarding the jurisdiction of the respective Courts is published in the "Government Gazette."

A second dividend of $1.50 per cent. has been declared in the estate of George Hughes Keeble, No. 5, Hau Fung Lane, in bankruptcy.

Another excellent presentation of "French Leave" was given by the Hongkong A.D.C. at a matinee yesterday. The final performance will be given to-night.

The regulation made by the Chief Justice for solicitors' final examination, as approved by the Legislative Council on Thursday, is published in the Government Gazette.

A further remand until Tuesday next was ordered by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday in the case of Gunner P. R. N. Ottaway, R.A., who is charged with having impersonated a military doctor.

The Governor proposes to make an order under the Streets (Alteration) Ordinance, 1923, for the altering of that portion of the scavenging lane in the rear of No. 71, Battery Street (Kowloon Inland Lot No. 563), so as to exclude from such lane so much as is not required to provide a width of 6 feet, measured from the present westerly boundary line of the said lane.

The next Public Meeting of the Hongkong Lodge The Theosophical Society, 16, Queen's Road Central, will be held on Monday, March 2, at 5.45 p.m., instead of Wednesday. The lecture will be given by Prof. R. K. Kulkarni, M.A., LL.B., a Brahman Hindu, a student of the Indian Yoga Philosophy, and Secretary of the League of Parents and Teachers, India, who is making a trip around the world for the study of Child Problems. The Public are invited.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Ow Yeang Soo-keang has been added to the list of auditors under the Companies Ordinance.

Mr. Lachlan Rose Macphail, of the firm of Rose Macphail and Company brokers, Singapore, was in Hongkong yesterday.

Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, General Manger of the Hongkong Tramways, Ltd. was due to sail for Shanghai by the s.s. President Pierce this morning.

His Excellency the Governor has accepted the resignation by Major Arthur Murdoch of his Commission in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from February 20.

His Excellency the Governor has re-appointed the Rev. Fr. H. Valtorta to be a member of the Board of Education for a further period of two years, with effect from February 28.

The Rt. Rev. H. J. Molony, D.D., Bishop of Chêkiang, who is to address the annual meeting of the British and Foreign Bible Society next week, is proceeding Home on furlough.

Accompanied by Mrs. Pestonji; Miss Isabel, Miss Beatrice and Master Andre Pestonji, Mr. R. Pestonji, who has been one of the Colony's leading stockbrokers for some years, sailed for San Francisco on the Pacific Mail s.s. President Pierce this morning.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed, under Section 9 of the Liquors Consolidation Ordinance, 1911, Ordinance No. 9 of 1911, Sir Catchick Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G., to be a member of the Licensing Board for a furtner period of three years, with effect from February 16, 1925.

This morning the Pacific Mail s.s. President Pierce was due to carry away a large number of passengers including Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. R. Harris for Shanghai; Dr. and Mrs. H. Anderson, the Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Bower, and the Rev. S. G. W. Maitland for San Francisco.

Mr. Tom Takao, Councillor of the Japanese Foreign Office, is on a visit to Canton.

Sir Edward Mitchener Cook, who is to succeed Mr. W. J. F. Williamson as Financial Adviser to Siam, is expected to arrive in Bangkok early in March and will assume charge of his duties at the end of that month, when Mr. Williamson leaves Siam.

Mr. Patricio Murphy, aide to Lieut.-Col. Pedro Zanni, Argentine world flier, departed from Tokio for Seattle on the steamer Africa Maru. He expects to spend several weeks in America making arrangements for the aviator's arrival there next May. Mr. Murphy expects to return to Tokio in April.

Mr. Wei Chung-chi, a Cantonese merchant and the manager of the Hankow offices of the Venus Life Insurance Co., has been arrested by order of Tupan Hsiao Yao-nan on the ground of his having accepted a commission as brigadier commander in the Chihli clique with a view to creating disturbances in that region.

The Archdeacon of Hongkong (Ven. Archdeacon E. J. Barnett, M.A.), is being entertained at dinner to-night at the Yee Wo Restaurant by the Old Boys of St. Stephen's College, and some European friends. During the evening the Archdeacon will be presented with a silk scroll. The Archdeacon and Mrs. Barnett leave for Home on retirement after 23 years foreign Mission Service.

His Excellency the Governor entertained the out-going and incoming directors of the Tung Wah Hospital—the leading Chinese charitable institution—at Government House yesterday. There were also present Sir Claud Severn (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax (Secretary for Chinese Affairs), and the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall. Mr. Ma Chi-lung (last year's Chairman) presented his report, and Mr. Ma Chui-chiu, Chairman for the current year, expressed his thanks through Mr. Kotewall.

Dr. J. G. Schurman, the U.S. Minister, will be leaving China shortly. His successor will be Mr. William Calverston, a tariff expert.

Mr. W. Sinclair is at present on a tour of Peking, Korea, and Japan. He intends leaving Shanghai on the s.s. Agapenor, making straight for Port Said, and thence to Cairo, and later across to Trieste and Venice.

Mr. Fu Tsung-yao (Fu Siao-en) has telegraphed to Peking declining the post of Superintendent of the Shanghai Mint, to which post he was appointed by the Ministry of Finance, some days ago. Mr. Fu says that apart from his having notability he is too busily occupied with other pursuits.

Judge Peter Grain, who last autumn was obliged to return Home on sick leave following a serious illness in Shanghai, on the advice of a specialist in England, has undergone a second operation. He is now making excellent progress. Whilst in Vancouver, where he visited a brother he had not seen for many years, Judge Grain met Dr. H. R. Friedlander.

The following is a translation from the "Shunpao":—Pu Yi (Hsuan Tung, the young Emperor) has ordered a French tailor to hurry up and make for him a number of up-to-date suits as he and his wife and concubine expect to go abroad next month. The latter are said to be learning Japanese. The "Sinwanpao" says that a moving picture is being taken of the young Emperor's life in the Japanese Legation.

Mr. H. John Newton, formerly an American Vice-Consul in Kobe, returned to that port with his bride on February 11, on the steamer President McKinley and will be connected with the Kobe office of the Columbia Pacific Shipping Company. Mr. Newton was married on January 3 in Vancouver to Miss Una Thomas, a former British resident of Shanghai, whom he met on the steamer last April when he was on route from Kobe to Europe. Mr. and Mrs. Newton will make Kobe their home.

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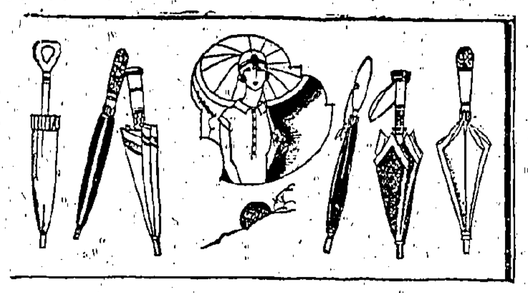

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MUCH TRAVELLED CHAPEAU COMING.

When the Dollar liner President Adams arrives here on March 2 on her fourth trip round the world there will be on board a strange globe trotter. The "passenger" is an old American straw hat which was started on a haphazard tour of the world from Wilkesbarre, Pa., U.S.A., in 1922 and has already made three complete voyages.

Captain Robert Dollar discovered the hat as a stowaway on one of his liners and is sending it back by special messenger round the world to its unknown owner.

Since it started globe trotting nearly three years ago the hat has travelled more than 100,000 miles on three railroad systems in the United States, five different ocean liners on the seven seas and has been in 12 foreign countries in five continents. It is now circumnavigating the globe for the fourth time.

The hat which has had fame thrust upon it, began its career of travel at the station of the Delaware and Hudson railroad at Wilkes Barre on September 12, 1922. A freight handler, who was about to throw the old straw hat away at the end of the summer season, changed his mind and started it on a tour of the world. It was christened "Mr. Hobo Hat" with a tag which read: "Bound for a trip around the world. Please keep me going."

With cheers from the railroad workers it was tossed into the baggage car of the first train that happened along. It changed cars at Springfield, Mass., to the New York Central Railroad and was carried to New York and then to Chicago. A messenger carried it across Chicago to the Santa Fe Railroad for the journey to the Pacific Coast. It arrived at San Francisco on January 24, 1923, and was put on board the Matson liner Matsonia bound for Honolulu. The United American liner Resolute, which was then on a special world cruise, picked up "Mr. Hobo Hat" at Honolulu and landed him at Yokohama. Then the Pacific Mail liner President Lincoln had the hat as a "passenger" to Hongkong, where it arrived on February 22, 1923.

Mr. E. F. O'Connor, agent for the Admiral Oriental and Dollar Round-the-World Lines, took care of the traveller until the arrival of the President Hayes of the Dollar Line, on its first voyage round the world. In March 1924, the hat again started on its travels and got lost aboard the President Hayes for two trips round the world. It was discovered a stowaway by the purser when the President Hayes arrived at San Francisco on January 1, 1925.

When told of the hat's travels Captain Dollar ordered a special hatbox made for it. He commissioned the 10-year-old Chinese biscuit boy on the President Adams to carry the hat round the world again with instructions to find its owner in Wilkes Barre and deliver it to him with the shipping magnate's compliments.

En route the hat will be decorated with official signatures of the heads of the governments of the countries touched by the round-the-world-service of the Dollar Line and will be vised by President Coolidge at Washington after the President Adams reaches New York next April. The mayors of four American cities and other government officials throughout the world will give the hat a welcome on its farewell tour of the globe.

RUSSIAN TREATY.

CELEBRATED IN JAPAN.

The restoration of relations between Russia and Japan was celebrated in Tokio on February 15 under the auspices of the Federated Chambers of Commerce. Members of the Diet, journalists and the Fishery Association. The meeting, which was attended by more than 2,000 people representing all classes, opened by the reading of a message of congratulation from M. Chicherin at the happy event and bespeaking future assistance. Congratulatory telegrams were sent to M. Chicherin, M. Karakhan and Mr. Yoshizawa thanking them for their efforts in restoring relations.

Japanese Press despatches from Saghalien represent that preparations for the evacuation of Japanese troops are progressing steadily. Troops are being concentrated at Alexandorovsk. Hundreds of horse sleighs are engaged bringing in the whole of the garrison which is expected to embark to Japan in the middle of March.

The first Japanese mail bag to Russia since the Russo-Japanese treaty left Tsuruga for Vladivostock on February 14.

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LOCAL SPORT.

HOCKEY.

FINAL MATCH FOR SIM SHIELD.

WON BY THE CLUB.

By obtaining full points from the Army, the Hongkong Hockey Club have emerged winners of the Sim Shield. At the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday they beat the military team for the second time by 3 goals to 1. The Club finished up with five points (two wins from the Army, a draw with the Navy and a defeat by the Navy), the Navy with four points (a win from the Club, a draw with the Club and the Army and a defeat by the Army), and the Army with three points (a win from the Navy, a draw with the Navy and two defeats by the Club).

Play yesterday was very fast and of a high order seldom equalled in Hongkong. All along the Club half-back line was predominant, and it was this superiority which won the match. Captain Hayes-Newington, the crack Army forward, was well-watched and only had two shots at goal in the whole match. Had it not been for the excellent showing of the Army goalkeeper the score might have been even higher. A shot from Mitchell after a corner appeared a certain goal but Lacey saved. He also got to a splendid shot from Evans on the near side of the goal and saved.

In the first half, Hayes-Newington scored for the Army. Just before half-time Woodward notched the first point for the Club. Keeping up the attack in the second half the Club secured the lead through More and clinched matters when Evans got the third goal.

Woodward, Evans, and More showed up to advantage in the Club forward line and Becher was brilliant at back. Hamilton was up to his best in goal.

The teams were as follow:—

Army.—L/C. Lacey; Lt. Smith and Lt. Newton-King; Major Warton, Lt. Allfree, Lt. Chidson; Lt. Henslowe, Pte. Burgess, Capt. Hayes-Newington, Cap. Bacon, Lt. Dickens.

Club.—E. W. Hamilton, A. A. Dand, C. L. R. Becher; A. S. Hett, E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), E. L. Sim; G. R. More, T. J. Price, W. Woodward, B. D. Evans, G. R. Vallack.

At the conclusion of the match, H.E. the G.O.C. (Major General C. C. Luard) presented the Shield to Mr. Mitchell, the Club captain, amid the cheers of those present.

RACING

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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By Order,
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Hongkong, 28th February, 1925.

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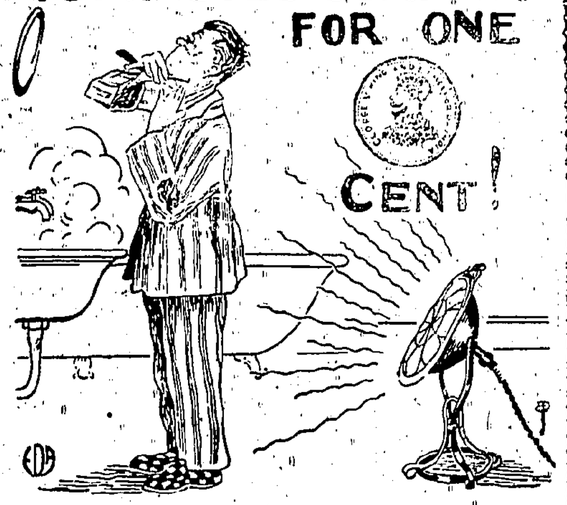
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Far More Accurate Than the Average Prediction Are the Prophecies of Fashion—The Southern Mode a Mode of the Future.

Men may scoff at Fashion—which they do, laugh at the place it occupies in a woman's life—which it does; at its whimsicalities—which we freely admit; but Fashion pursues the even tenor of her way quite unperturbed, for she is Power and she knows and glories in it. Recent foreign news dispatches have told of an appeal by eminent designers of the most exclusive modes for protection against what they are pleased to call "fashion pirates," the clever folk who come to their advance showings; remain to absorb the details; and go away to copy them. They call the models that result "forgeries," and really have just cause for complaint, since their creative genius is quite useless, so far as exclusiveness is concerned, when a "spy" from another house can duplicate even their most cherished and original model, or a wholesale house can turn out hundreds of replicas of it for sale in the ready-to-wear shops. While almost anyone will admit that a jury—sitting in judgment on some such offender—would have no small amount of difficulty in deciding just what rights or "copy rights" a designer might have, one fact is proven—there must be something very fascinating, very profitable, very important about Fashion that a man or woman will turn pirate for her sake. And just now she is offering proofs conclusive that this is so, for she is at her best, having stabilized the styles of winter—insofar as any mode can be stabilized—and is busy interpreting to her admirers the "Palm Beach Mode," the crystal in which the interested stay-at-home may gaze and see the fashions of the coming spring and summer in the North.

A Dictionary Of Colours, Lines And Fabrics.

What are they wearing in the Southland? It is something of a puzzle, but we have become adepts at puzzles, these days, whether they be cross-word or fashion puzzles. But we must have a dictionary, a book of synonyms, a book of history and a geography, if we are to solve either kind, for no new mode is of one century or period; of a single country; or of exactly the same fabrics, lines and colours that any other one season has featured, although it will not prove difficult to find many of the newest details listed under other and more familiar names in a book of fashion synonyms. It is quite beyond the power of any designer or group of designers to be original all the time, and much that passes for originality is merely a resurrection from another period or a loan to us, forced perhaps, from another people.

The Palm Beach mode, as we see it, has a most unusual setting, for we are viewing it from a world of frost and snow, and clad, as we are, in heavy furs and fabrics, it is very like a glimpse of a promised land—and it really is! Snuggled down in the collar of our warmest coat we look critically—and, perhaps a bit wistfully—at the lightsome fabrics; colours dainty or brilliant as their purpose may be; and all the infinitesimal details that go to make up what is, to us, a future mode. But it is, elsewhere, a mode of reality, for it is being worn right now in the summer Southland. And we are seeing, as we window-shop, a very great deal of white; the pastel shades; and the strong tones that lose something of their strength against the background that nature provides. White, we expect; the bolder colours are synonymous with sports clothes; and one fashion authority has recently issued the edict—"Pastel colours in everything."

The really new note in the colour field is the vogue for what is known as "natural," really the neutral shade of camel's hair, and it has resulted in a twilled variety of this latter fabric. If the presence of twills seems out of place in "summer" fashions, you will do well to remember that there are days, even in the "Sunny" South, when there are days in July and August when we of the North wear suits and coats with comfort. Kasha cloth, grown to be a favourite, is also featured in this new shade, and it is bound to be the background for all sorts of original trimmings, especially in the embroidery and applique field. It is sure to be more satisfatory for this purpose than any other colour—or white.

Concerning Fundamentals Of Line.

We are most interested, at this particular time, in the fundamentals of line, rather than those of fabric or colour, for we may be happily ahead-of-the-mode if we apply them to our frocks of winter. There seems to be a difference of opinion concerning the silhouette—which may be rightly termed the fundamental of all fundamentals—and when one authority predicts a return to the straightest sort of a silhouette, and another designer, equally authoritative, makes much of the flare—who are we to settle the matter? Better, by far, to accept the variety that the two afford, and wear the most becoming line. Skirts will remain short, on that they all agree; there will be high collars—one is inclined to question their warm weather popularity—and there will be some long sleeves. When the much discussed flare exists it will be through the medium of tunics, slashed skirts, flounces or ruffles.

Any mode, settled or otherwise, is made up of vogues. Many that appear at the beginning of the season are doomed to an early disappearance, but they serve as fads, and are of passing fashion interest. So far, in the Southern season, there have been revivals; hold-overs from a past season; and some few new things—all of a certain picturesque news value. The vogues for the ensemble suit, for the tunic and for chiffon dance frocks are hold-overs, and we would miss them, were they to go. The vogue for appliques and embroideries belongs in the hold-over class, but the vogue for prints, for pastel colours, for white and for cretonne and chintz are revivals—they are quite likely to come back with the spring. There is a really new type of two-piece frock—the creation of an eminent French designer; the same clever originator is responsible for a balbriggan jumper sports costume; and the beach pajama suit is new.

Exemplifying the vogue for the ensemble suit, for the tunic and for white, we have the model in a novelty fabric combined with plain, the tunic of the former and the coat, also; the skirt and bandings of the plain material. (There is a vogue for blistered effects in fabrics.) The effect of this costume ensemble is that of simplicity touched with luxury, fur achieving the latter end. The all-white costume is always a feature of the summer season, and after winter fabrics and furs, it seems perennially new. There is nothing lovelier or so wholly imbued with charm, but white is expensive, even when its fabric is not, for its spotlessness is its beauty, and to keep it spotless is a costly business.

Prints Insist On Recognition.

Synonymous with the flowers that bloom in the spring are the prints that bloom with them, for they are both colourful and both sure to appear. And the prints that the fabric makers have provided for us are gayer and more brilliant than they have ever been, and they deserve the popularity they are enjoying. The scarf frock pictured makes use of a brocaded crepe in print effect, and while the scarf may be a familiar detail the shirt-bosom effect is not, and is, therefore, noteworthy. It is a feature of many of the newest and smartest frocks. The skirt, as you will see, is brief, and is likely to prove a snare to the unwary, for the short and the plump woman may not wear it becomingly. Another use of a printed silk—dots, too, are vogue—is seen in the white frock that combines with

PAINTED CREPE FASHIONS A SMART SCARF GOWN

embroideries. It shows another variation of the plastron, and features the scarf, again. Plaids and checks and stripes are bidding for favour against dots, so we are assured variety.

It is quite safe to say that there is no single trimming more effective than embroideries, unless it be appliques, and no decorative effect more distinguishing than appliques, unless it be embroideries! Very clever the little model that makes use of Indian embroideries on the panel, simulating a pocket; on the revers and military collar; on the sleeve bands and the vest effect. The undersleeves are of Georgette in the darker shade of the embroideries. Its designer calls it a "walking frock," and it is surely a temptation to its owner to let all the world see, and admire. More embroideries—this time Russian in their inspiration, trim a flannel frock that makes use of three tones of a colour, somewhat in the ombre fashion, although there is more of a contrast between the shades. The result of the combination of colour with embroideries is unusual, striking a note of luxury.

From the pictured models we may draw certain conclusions as to the Palm Beach mode, which they interpret. Rich colours, delightful fabrics, distinctive trimmings, a combination at the outset that it is hard to beat. Short skirts; both short and long sleeves; a very general use of the scarf and the plastron; these are interesting details. There is, if you will but study the models and prove it, a trend away from the round and the bateau neckline and toward the V-shaped neck; and there are collars, too, which is a happy omen, for the untrimmed neckline is never generally becoming. We naturally expect a mode of picturesqueness to arrive with the summer, and insofar as it is possible to interpret the mode, as displayed in the South, we are not to be disappointed in our expectations.

THE BEACH ENSEMBLE.

Propelled by its convenience, practicality and undeniable smartness, the ensemble costume pursues its interesting way, wholly impervious to newer modes and less deserving details of fashion. It has become an integral part of the daytime and the evening mode, reaching, by direct route, the sports mode, and bringing with it all the accumulated charm of its progress. And quite the most distinctive of all the sports ensembles, because apparel for wear at the bathing hour has always designed for wear in the water or for idling the hours away on the sands. One will no longer say—"I have to have a new bathing suit, this year," but will speak quite casually of the bathing ensemble that is now the correct attire for the beach. From the hat—there are bathing hats, this season—to the shoes there will be harmony of colour and correlation of fabrics and trimmings.

It does not matter whether the suit be of the knitted variety for real exercise in the water, or be made of more dressy fabrics, it is not complete in itself, but must have coat or cape, hat, shoes and all the smart accessories that go to make up a complete costume. For practical purposes—when it will be worn over a wet suit, there is no more satisfactory fabric for coat or suit than rubberized silk. The suit itself may be knitted, but the rest of the ensemble—linked by colour to the suit—will be of the rubberized fabric. Beach costumes, that never feel, though they see, the water, have a wider range, and may be very elaborate. The ombre idea is carried out in some; harmonious tones in others; and there are combinations of colours.

The shades of blue, of green and of purple are well-liked for beach costumes and the printed silks, especially those in leopard colourings show up effectively. The very newest bathing caps are the pointed crown that is so popular in millinery and has a droll little pompon on the top and a demure roll brim. The bandanna and Gypsy's kerchief have made their appearance; there are hats—reminiscent of the Spanish sailor and there are belts and vanities.

DID YOU KNOW—

THAT when all-over embroideries in leopard design make dresses and coats, the garments are smartened by bindings of brown kid? A hat to match makes an ensemble with frock or coat.

THAT the mode of the ombre bracelet has followed the mode of ombre fabrics? Three roll bracelets—one green, one white, one rose gold create the ombre effect.

THAT fashionable women in London town are having their hair dyed white for the softening effect it has on the complexion? The beauty of snow-white hair is undeniable, and the younger the face, the lovelier the effect.

THAT the Junior has taken to the jumper dress, a two-piece affair that is not only smart but convenient? And that velveteen is the fabric that has attained prominence in these clever little frocks?

THAT separate skirts, designed for Northern resort wear, show a decided fondness for the comfort of pleats? The skirt may be all of pleats; have groups at the sides or front; or depend from a yoke.

THAT knitted fringe has been added to the achievements of knitting machines and to the already large group of fringes? They are interesting, not only in themselves, but as a part of the knitwear mode.

THAT the smart new colours in the well-loved felt hats of the hour are Indian orange, Castillian red, watermelon, French gray, thistlebloom and kasha? There are black felts and white felts and some that feature the ombre colourings.

THE NEW COTTONS.

Do you remember back to the days when "cottons" were calicos, chambrays and ginghams? When women wore cotton for every day and considered silk the "dress-up" fabric? What would those women of other days have thought of a designer who suggested a cotton coat or a cotton suit? Truly other days other ways in fabrics as well as in fashions—and customs. The calicos of other days have given place to the prints of English weave and the stunning India prints, both to be featured as a part of the cotton mode for summer. Silks have been counterfeited in cotton, and there is no more satisfactory warm weather fabric than voile, whether it be English, French or domestic. Practically the only advantage of the several sources, in the variety it affords the one who is making the selection. Since it is to be a season of prints there will be lovely printed voiles, just as there are printed chiffons and Georgettes. Voile is really a cotton Georgette.

So important has cotton come to be in the scheme of things that the very foremost designers interest themselves not only in their use but in their weaves. Some of the novelty cottons are blistered, with designs in relief against the blistered background. Another novelty cotton is woven in squares, and the variety of this type of cotton fabric is very wide. At times use is made of silk, even velvet, in combination with cotton, producing novel effects that are very new. Artificial silk seems the connecting link between cotton and silk, and is used in the fancy cotton weaves. Many of these new "cottons" are quite as beautiful and even more expensive than silks, and are used for coats and capes and suits as well as for frocks. At times a novelty cotton makes a tunic designed for wear with a crepe skirt or slip, and they seem to hold a prominent place in the coming fashions.

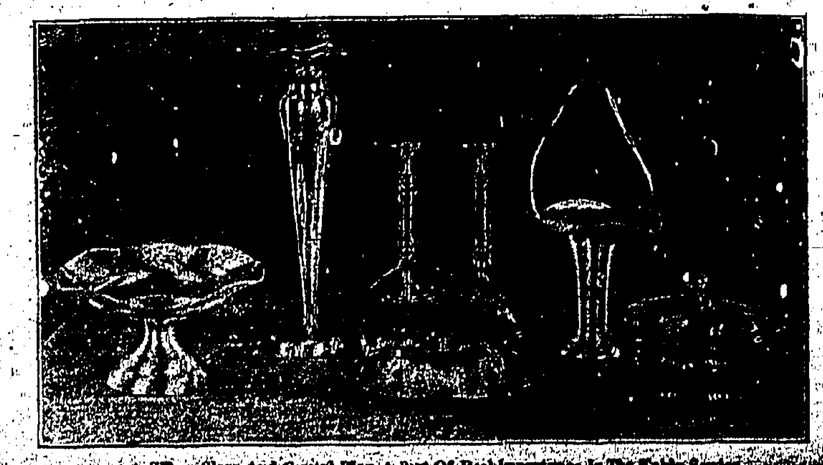
THE FINE POINTS OF HOME OUTFITTING

Experience teaches us just as surely about things pertaining to our wardrobes and our homes as it does about life, but it proves a costly teacher many times. We learn what not to buy, having once bought wrongly; we learn what not to wear having chosen once unwisely; and each buying time we profit by the mistakes that we have made. And we have learned that when a choice of frock, suit or coat has been wisely made that the wrong accessories may completely discount the apparent wisdom of the choice, changing the resulting ensemble into something very ordinary. And it is the same in the outfitting of the home, where details of ornamentation occupy the same relative position to the whole that accessories occupy in the ensemble costume. Furnish correctly chosen and grouped; hangings and rugs harmonious—the one with the other and both with the furniture; these are but the frock for the room—the accessories remain to be chosen. A charming suite for the dining room; a velvety rug; curtains and overdrapes—there yet remains the linen; the glass and china; the silver. The task is well begun, and yet less than half done.

A careful study of household decoration has resulted in many changes and we welcome the fashion in furniture that permits the use of individual pieces, incidental tables and the like; the dictate that makes matched sets no longer imperative; and the fine feeling for decorative bits of pottery and china—the not too much, but just enough. The same room may hold something Italian; something Spanish; something that breathes the spirit of the Far East; and that same room may be artistic in its hominess. On the other hand a living room that is Early American in its feeling may keep to the letter as well as the spirit, evincing that spirit in even the incidental table, pie-crust type; in the tea china—the Oriental birds and black-eyed Susans of the familiar Wedgewood; in the polished brass candlesticks of true Colonial design. Or if one prefers the Italian influence, there are treasures in hand-wrought iron and pottery for the carrying out of that influence.

Every piece of furniture and every ornamental piece should increase the livableness of the room it adorns—that is why, perhaps, the heavy matching pieces have been discarded. The treasures of famous craftsmen of the old guilds are faithfully duplicated—they can hardly be called copies—and the pieces are not only adopted, but adapted to a modern setting and the modern ways of living. But too much of heaviness, even when that heaviness is priceless, is taboo, these days, and if one happens to have inherited genuine antiques, or to have acquired too many sombre pieces, the solution is a single piece of lacquer—brilliantly red—effectively placed and ornamental bits of glass or pottery, equally effectively placed. And it is well to say, in passing that the housewife who may select her own furniture is wisest when she makes use of reproductions that are done in the Sheraton, Chippendale, Queen Anne or Colonial manner—any one of the types that have become synonymous with art in furniture.

We may learn much, yet we are inclined to learn too little from the decorative genius of the Eastern peoples. The Japanese have a happy custom of changing their decorations from time to time, injecting a new note into the home, and thus relieving monotony of surroundings. While the American woman may change the position of her furniture, or renew curtains and hangings, she sets too little value on mirrors; on pottery; on decorative panels. Quite as bad as too little, is too much of anything, especially the vases, bowls and jars that hold our flowers and serve as decorations when flowers are not to be had. A single bowl on a polished table may be charming, but it loses its charm when there is a "clutter" of objects about it. And it is a clever idea to change one's pieces of bric-a-brac—which should be chosen with an eye to their general harmoniousness, from room to room—in the interests of variety. A wall panel, quite easily made at home, will lend a note of differentness and brighten a bit of dull or empty wall space.



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FOOTBALL.

THE ENGLISH PLAYER'S "CANDID FRIEND."

In view of the exit on Wednesday of Aston Villa from the English Cup, the following article by Harry Hampton, Aston Villa, is of unusual interest:—

Having regard to last season's international results, and the universal outcry of people who are supposed to know, there is something sadly lacking in English football. I mean, of course, the first-class game, and professional football in particular.

Animated by a laudable desire, critics, past and present-day players among them, have attempted to dissect the causes of our shortcomings. The explanations have been many, and, to me, amusing. Some of them have assured us that nowadays football is more a business than a sport, and that the men who participate in the "business," play according to their pay. In other words, the players adopt and pursue the canny policy.

Another explanation is that the players of to-day are not in the same class as those of a generation or so ago, and that they lack both brawn and brain. Then, in turn, poor refereeing, unsportsmanlike and unsympathetic spectators, and bad management are blamed. These are the alleged primary causes of our deterioration, but they do not, by any means, exhaust explanations.

GINGER WANTED.

At the risk of making myself ludicrous, I propose to join the brave band of optimists which goes marching along in a bold effort to rescue English football. After much hard thinking, and careful reasoning it is my profound belief that the real disease (for it is a disease) from which our football is suffering is lack of originality, both on the part of players and managements. We have become altogether too conservative, orthodox, and matter-of-fact. We want waking up, gingering up—we now need new methods, new ideas, and a new spirit.

In the main, the professional players are the chief causes, but club directors and instructors, managements and spectators, are sinful aiders and abettors. At the behest and direction of employers and patrons, players nowadays must conduct themselves on the field of play "according to plan." How often do we hear of certain players being failures because they do not bend down or fit in with comrades?

Take the tragedy of Charles Buchan. Recognised as the brainiest and most skilful exponent of football, he was only allowed to creep surreptitiously into England's side. Buchan's orginality was, prior to the Scotland game at Wembley last year, practically unrecognised and unwanted. Buchan's experience is that of other truly great players. Can it be wondered that the standard of English football is low, and that England last season figured as the shuttle-cock to the battledore of the other nations.

A STROKE OF ORIGINALITY.—

My mind carries me back to the 1904 season when I was privileged, then quite a junior, to appear as centre forward for Aston Villa. I have no shame in saying that I did not then regard myself as a footballer, a first-class footballer, in the full meaning of the word. But it did not take me long to become, I believe, quite a useful member of the side.

Unconsciously, I seem to have supplied an original feature of Aston Villa's attack. There was nothing wonderfully intelligent about it, and I can assure you that I did not lie awake at nights thinking out my scheme of campaign. It was the simplicity of it that made it so wonderfully easy.

To the machine-like passing and manœuvring of brilliant companions I supplied the necessary central link. Whenever the ball was sent goalwards I raced after it with a zest which was unusual and which took opposing defences by surprise. I met with early success and encouragement. Much-needed goals began to materialise, and Aston Villa won contests against stern opponents. They jumped up the League ladder, reached the final of the Football Associatoin Cup—and won it!

I would not have you believe that this was all my wonderful work, but at that time I was certainly given credit for much of the success. It was that little bit of originality on my part that, at any rate, was responsible for my success.

And let me add that while I was meeting with this success certain critics were convinced that I was no footballer, and at least one trainer declared that if he were picking a team of players he would not find me shoe-laces.

For the number of years that I was privileged to lead the Aston Villa attack that team met with remarkable success, and perhaps I may be forgiven if I add it is passing strange that since I left, the side in most seasons has been busily on the look-out for what they call the "original" centre-forward—the player who has something unusual to present to opposing defences.

WHAT MADE THE GIANTS?

In support of my contention that we need more originality in football, I have only to quote the cases of famous players of international repute. What was it that made Charles Athersmith a famous right winger. What was the special virtue of William Bassett, as a left winger? How was it that Stephen Bloomer was one of the most dangerous inside forwards the game has produced? How came G. O. Smith to become a giant among centre-forwards? and what gave Robert Crompton, Jesse Pennington, and Samuel Hardy their fame as defenders?

To go further back, what were the outstanding qualities of the brothers Walters, N. C. Baily, E. C. Bambridge, C. Wreford-Brown, W. N. Cobbold, James Crabtree, Tom Crawshaw, R. E. Foster, Ernest Needham, Tinsley Lindley, L. B. Lodge, W. J. Oakley, John Reynolds, and last, but by no means least, Vivian J. Woodward?

I may be wrong in my reasoning and in my readings, but on mature thought these giants all had one thing in common—the gift of originality. They had no use for the orthodox or the matter-of-fact. There was no "according to plan" about their work, whether it was the defence or attack. They were individualists, great and glorious. That is why they were giants, and very likely that was why England so frequently won international championships in their day.

Our game to-day sadly needs some originality, and less playing "according to plan." But while the craze is for combination, combination, and combination, there is no use for the skilful individualist or the player with ideas. Bonuses have their blessings, but, in my considered opinion, they will never resurrect either English play or English players from their orthodoxy.

And how shall we get this new spirit—or rather old spirit—brought back into the game? In my opinion it will come by the simple way. Players must not be cribbed, cabined, or confined. They must be allowed, aye, encouraged, to take risks, and must not be condemned if every feat they attempt ends in failure.

Columbus took a risk when he set out on his voyage. In face of grave warnings and taunts of madness he made a great discovery—he found America. English football badly needs men of vision and men of venture, and when they are found they should not be criticised and condemned as failures at the first attempt.

English football, and especially professional football, has descended to an unhappy level. It wants new blood and new ideas, and there should be no question of their enthusiastic welcome when this is discovered.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

GLASGOW TEAMS' BIG SCORES.

In Scottish Rugby on the Saturday before the last mail left Home, the big scoring Glasgow clubs had each easy victories, the Academicals beating Glasgow University by 47-0, and High School disposing of Kelvinside Academicals by 35-0.

Hillhead High School (F.P.) were in Edinburgh playing the University, and lost by 18-0. Three Border clubs had Edinburgh opponents, Heriot's (F.P.) and Watsonians were victorious over Selkirk and Gala respectively, the former with a fair amount of ease and the latter a little luckily. In the third game Melrose defeated Royal High School (F.P.)

Edinburgh Academicals were defeated by Stewart's College (F.P.) by 10 points to 3.

Hawick had an easy success over Langholm, and Kelso a narrow one at the expense of Jedforest.

"ALL BLACKS" AND SCOTLAND.

"J. G. R." asks (says the Weekly Scotsman) why Scotland and the New Zealand Rugby team did not meet. The only reason is that the tour was arranged through the English Union, which method of procedure was contrary to an agreement come to by England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales, which, in effect, was that all tours, either from this country or to this country, should be under the auspices of the International Board The breaking of that agreement by England prevented the Scottish Union accepting the English Union's invitation to arrange two matches with the "All-Blacks." It is hard to believe, however, that the breach by the English Union was a sufficient, or even the true, reason for Scotland having no dealings with the tourists.

BILLIARDS.

SHANGHAI LEAGUE.

The Shanghai Club League Championship has resulted in an overwhelmning victory for the Cercle Sportif, who have won all the 10 matches played, their nearest opponents being the Club Lusitano, with seven wins. The following is the official table of results:—

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AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP AT HOME.

More than one surprise has turned up in the Southern Section of the Amateur Billiards Championship since last week's notes were written, says a Home paper of January 24. The defeat of Captain Croneen, an ex-Scottish Champion, was certainly unexpected, but, in spite of his experience, he appeared to be suffering from nerves, and E. Forshall, who is not so finished a player, took his chances, made others, and won comfortably by 166 points.

Lewis Stroud, who was generally regarded as safe for the final sixteen, was knocked out by E. Earle, and a newcomer in Stephen Walter created a favourable impression both with his breaks, two of them over 70, and with his average of 8.47. W. B. Marshall keeps himself among the men strongly fancied to have a late say in the disposal of the title. In the second heat of the second round this week he easily beat F. J. Leather, and at the evening session brought his three figure breaks in the event up to four by doing 102 and 105. The Heginbottom-Ackroyd heat at Manchester provided a memorably exciting finish, for, after being only a single point ahead at the half-way stage, the former got through by no more than four points.

M'CONACHY v. FALKINER.

The feature of the past week in the professional world was the extremely good display made by the New Zealander, M'Conachy, against Falkiner. The Overseas man looked in a pretty hopeless position shortly after the half-way mark had been passed—the match was a full stretch of 16,000—for he was then over 2,000 points in arrears, but in the end he was just shut out of victory, Falkiner winning by a mere eight points' margin. M'Conachy has undoubtedly advanced his reputation by this performance.

BOXING.

JOHNNY BRITTON'S GREAT RECORD.

A featherweight boxer from Leeds to be noted is Johnny Britton, who is in the capable hands of Harry Dorsey, the man who handled Joe Fox and Harry Mason. Britton, though only 19 years of age, has had 45 contests and has only lost four, when a novice.

Recently he has beaten Alf Hancock (Doncaster), Jack Alexander (Manchester), Jack Hines (Manchester), Jack Whiteside (Belfast), and Jack Jones (Merthyr). Britton is to figure in a match for £25 a-side at the N.S.C., London, with Fred Paten (London, at 8st. 13lb., for 15 rounds. The Leeds lad has a beautiful left hand, and can put them down with the right.

TENNIS.

TOURNAMENT WON BY TILDEN.

William T. Tilden on February 15 won the Brooklyn Heights invitation tennis tournament by defeating Dean Mathey, 6-2, 6-1, 6 8,7-5, in the finals.

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February 28.—Annual dinner of members of St. David's Society, Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden, 8 p.m.

March 14.—Fifth annual reunion dinner of Queen's College Old Boys' Association, College Hall, 8 p.m.

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February 28. — Hongkong Jockey Club's first Extra Race Meeting, 2.30 p.m.

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March 4.—Meeting of the Education Board at the Education Office, 3 p.m.

March 7.—Entertainment and display by Girl Guides and Brownies at Helena May Institute.

March 10.—Annual Speech Day of The Diocesan Boys' School, 3.15 p.m.

FLOWER SHOW.

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